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$100,000 Reward Set For Information on Missing Township Teen

A Philadelphia businessman, Joe Mammana, has offered a $100,000 reward for any information leading to the recovery of, or arrests related to, Danielle Nottingham, the Princeton Township teen who left her home in January 2003 at the age of 15. Neither her family, nor Township authorities, have had any leads since her disappearance.

The reward, which went into effect Sunday, expires Friday, November 24. Ms. Nottingham has been selected to be part of the "20 Missing Persons" campaign by the Midwest Coalition for the Missing and 411 Gina for the Missing organizations.

Reports indicate that Ms. Nottingham left her Township home in 2003 and that she had been known to travel often to Trenton and Camden. Though she is thought to have changed her appearance, she has pierced ears and a scar on her back under her shoulder blade. When she was last seen, she had braces on her teeth and was wearing a pink velour sweat suit, white Nike sneakers, a blue Northface jacket, and carrying a blue backpack style purse. Township Police

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Democrats Win: It's No Contest

There were no surprises as unchallenged Princeton Township and Borough Democrats were resoundingly re-elected as the voter base showed up at the polls to support Democratic U.S. Senatorial incumbent Bob Menendez over Republican challenger Tom Kean Jr. Early election returns indicated Mr. Menendez would hold his Senate seat.

Barbara Trelstad, the incumbent Borough Councilwoman who was appointed to take over a vacated seat when Mildred Trotman was appointed mayor in 2005, said the win was not only a victory for local Democrats, but a statement on issues outside the Princeton political landscape.

"People care," she said, adding that the war in Iraq and other issues of national interest brought voters to the polls to vote locally, even in a year when, in both the Borough and Township, there were no challengers.

"Princetonians were willing to come out and vote for what's worth voting for," she said, after news that she had secured 2,066 votes to win a special two-year term to carry out Ms. Trotman's unexpired Council seat. Ms. Trotman amassed 2,114 votes to win a special one-year mayoral term to complete the late Borough Mayor Joe O'Neill's unexpired term.

Incumbent Councilwoman Wendy Benchley and incumbent Council President Peggy Karcher handily secured three-year terms.

In the Township, incumbent Chad Goerner, appointed to a vacant Committee seat in June, accrued 4,371 votes after running unopposed for the lone vacant seat on the governing body.

However, Mr. Goerner's election bid was essentially fought in the Democratic primary, where he assured a decisive victory over Scott Carver in a heated, albeit brief, race. After his win, Mr. Goerner was appointed to fill out the remaining term of former Committeeman Bill Hearon, who left his post in the spring, citing time restraints relating to a business he runs with his wife, Joan Bartl.

In early returns in the the Mercer County Freeholder elections, Democratic incumbents Ann Cannon, Pat Colavita, and Elizabeth Muoio all appeared poised for re-election.

With all 14 districts reporting, unofficial returns in the Township handed Mr. Menendez 4,158 votes against Mr. Kean's 1,476. Incumbent U.S. Rep. Rush Holt (D-12) received 4,622 votes against Republican challenger Joseph Sinagra's 975. For county freeholder, Ms. Cannon (3,970), Ms. Muoio (3,965) and Mr. Colavita (3,938), easily defeated Republican challengers Ashley Hutchinson (1,459), Kim Taylor (1,456), and Marjorie L. Hopwood (1,419).

With all nine districts reporting, unofficial returns in the Borough gave Mr. Menendez and easy victory over Mr. Kean, 2,017 votes to 621. For county freeholder, Ms. Cannon (1,886), Ms. Muoio (1,863) and Mr. Colavita (1,874), easily defeated Mr. Hutchinson (574), Ms. Taylor (557), and Ms. Hopwood (551).

See the November 15 edition of Town Topics for complete election results.

—Matthew Hersh

THE VOTE GOES ON: A Tuesday morning scene at the Community Park School polling place, where estimates of the size of the Election Day turn-out ranged from "disappointing" to "steady."

Firm Backs Out of Campus Redesign Plan As University Begins to Show Concepts

Just days prior to tomorrow's open forum focusing on Princeton University's campus planning project, campus officials have confirmed that Renzo Piano, the noted architect who was to spearhead the redesign effort for the school's planned arts neighborhood at University Place and Alexander Street, has withdrawn from the planning process, although it has been indicated that he and his firm could rejoin the project as it gets underway.

According to a University statement, the firm, the Renzo Piano Building Workshop, cited time constraints and commitments to other projects. The withdrawal, however, is not expected to pose a setback for the campus plan. In the meantime, the University will continue working with the architectural and planning firm Beyer Blinder Belle to outline specific aims of the University, including the school's goal to further so-called academic neighborhoods, including the natural sciences region that straddles Washington Road, the Alexander Road area, and the area encompassing the University's Engineering Quadrangle and 185 Nassau Street, home to the school's creative writing, visual arts, and theater and dance programs.

Changes to University Place and Alexander Road are likely to be significant, possibly one day resulting in the realignment out of University Place, allowing the roadway to connect to Alexander Street further to the south. The reconfiguration would allow for the area between the existing Berlind Theater and Wa-Wa to be developed, as well as necessitating a possible relocation of New Jersey Transit's Dinky Station several hundred feet to the south.

However, Beyer Blinder Belle has worked closely with the Renzo Piano firm, and is ready to take sole responsibility for managing the redesign project, said Mark Burstein, the University's executive vice president, adding that enough input has been given on all sides to allow the project to proceed. "BBB has been fully

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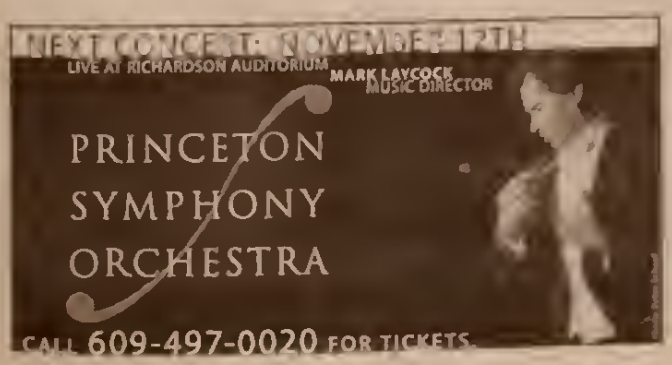

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Coalition For Peace Action Honors Longtime Director

The Princeton-based Coalition for Peace Action (CFPA) will celebrate 25 years of service by the Rev. Robert Moore, the organization's executive director, this Saturday, November 11, at a potluck dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Suzanne Patterson Center, behind Princeton Borough Hall.

The evening will include remembrances, both shared in writing and verbally, and will serve as the official launch of the "Honor Bob" fund. Those wishing to attend or donate to the fund can do so at CFPA's web site, www.peace coalition.org, or by calling its office at (609) 924-5022.

Mr. Moore served from March 1978 to September 1981 as national secretary of Mobilization for Survival, a national Coalition of some 250 organizations working for the abolition of nuclear weapons and the re-direction of resources to meeting human needs.

Irene Etkin Goldman, Chairwoman of CFPA, said Mr. Moore has shown "extraordinary leadership for peace as the Coalition for Peace Action's executive director for a quarter of a century," also praising his "tenacious commitment" to peacemaking.

For more information, contact (609) 924-5022, or visit www.peacecoalition.org.

Corrections

An October 25 article on a New Jersey Department of Transportation report on traffic calming along Route 206 between Cherry Valley Road and Nassau Street reported that the Regional Planning Board of Princeton did not specifically endorse the concept of installing roundabouts along the roadway. While the Planning Board did not endorse every specific aspect of the report, its members did endorse using roundabouts as a means to slow traffic.

In the November 1 Profile in Education featuring Frances de la Chapelle, headmistress of Stuart County Day School of The Sacred Heart, it was stated that 80 percent of Stuart students go on to higher education. The article should have stated that 80 percent of Stuart alumna go on to graduate education. In fact, all students making up Stuart's student body go on to take their baccalaureate degrees.

Topics In Brief
A Community Bulletin

Quark Park, **Princeton Occasions**, and **Palmer Square Management**, have won an award for "outstanding implementation" from the New Jersey chapter of the American Planning Association for the sculpture-meets-science installation along Paul Robeson Place in the Borough. Specifically, the park was recognized as a "temporary project with long-term consequences." Carlos Rodriques, a Township resident and president of the NJAPA, said the long-term consequences of such a project could impact the way a municipality or community deals with vacant lots: "They could have left that space empty, but instead you get the park, and it's a clear improvement," he said. The Distinction for Excellence in Planning awards, announced Monday at the annual NJAPA Planning Conference in New Brunswick, honor plans, planning and design initiatives, and built projects, as well as individual and organizational achievement. There were 14 recipients of this year's award.

Princeton University's endowment has surpassed the $13 million mark, according to a report published in the school's newspaper, the Daily Princetonian. The figures released last week mark a banner year in investment returns for the nations schools with top endowments. The FY2006 figures mark a $1.8 billion increase over 2005 endowment numbers, placing the university fifth on the list of the country's largest university endowments. The four universities surpassing Princeton in endowment are Harvard ($29.2 billion), Yale ($18 billion), the University of Texas system ($15.5 billion), and Stanford ($15.2 billion).

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SKATING TOWARD THE PRIZE: An effort to build an 8,500-square-foot concrete skate park in Princeton Township's Hilltop Park on Bunn Drive took a leap forward this week as Princeton Borough and Township received a $261,382 grant from Mercer County. About $141,000 will be used toward the total park construction estimate of $250,000 to $300,000, with the remainder going toward park rehabiliation, including the resurfacing of the basketball court at the Borough's Potts Playground. Pictured, from left, are Princeton Parks Alliance President and Borough Councilman Andrew Koontz; Borough Council President Peggy Karcher; Borough Mayor Mildred Trotman; Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand; Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes; and Mercer County Freeholder Pat Colavita. (Photo by George Vogel)

State Grant Gets Wheels Spinning On Planned Bunn Drive Skate Park

The effort to build a skate park at Princeton Township's Hilltop Park on Bunn Drive got a boost this week as a county matching grant puts a much needed positive light on a fund-raising effort for the proposed 8,500-square-foot park.

The $261,382 grant will be split, with $141,000 going toward the skate park, and the balance being used for general playground rehabilitation, including the resurfacing of the basketball court in Potts Playground, the pocket park at the corner of Erdman Avenue and Tee-Ar Place in the Borough.

The park, set to be located in a vacant portion of the park, across from the Princeton Community Village, has an estimated cost of upwards of $300,000, according to Andrew Koontz, a Princeton Borough Councilman as well as president of the Princeton Parks Alliance, the not-for-profit group spearheading the fund-raising campaign effort. As the project as already received a combined $125,000 commitment from Borough Council and Township Committee, the park's fund-raising totals have soared toward final goals.

Mr. Koontz said a skate park fit "perfectly" into the demands of the Mercer at Play grant, which allows municipalities to build or upgrade recreational facilities. The county appropriated a total of $1.5 million to all 12 towns in Mercer County.

Princeton Borough and Township were required to submit a proposal for the grant, outlining the poured concrete facility, and a rough construction schedule. The Princetons, along with Lawrence and Hopewell townships, and Hopewell and Pennington boroughs, were among the six county municipalities to submit the plan for a jointly funded project. Other towns receiving grant funds included East Windsor, Ewing, Hamilton, Trenton, Washington, and West Windsor.

The county-wide parks rehabilitation program promotes active recreation, as numbers in childhood obesity, and adult and juvenile diabetes are on the rise, said Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes on Tuesday at the formal grant announcement at Hilltop Park.

The grant precedes a fund-raiser for the park, Skate Jam 2006, set to take place Saturday, November 18, between 1 and 4 p.m. in the parking lot adjacent to Township Hall and Community Park Pool. Co-sponsored by the Parks Alliance and the Princeton Recreation Department, the event is geared to launch a public awareness campaign to generate interest in the skate park.

Skaters interested in being involved in the skate park's design process can sign up at the fund-raiser for the opportunity to participate in future discussions with the park designers, Mr. Koontz said.

Contributions to the Hilltop Park Skate park project should be made payable to: Princeton Parks Alliance Skatepark Fund and sent to Princeton Parks Alliance, 23 Sergeant Street, Princeton, NJ, 08540.

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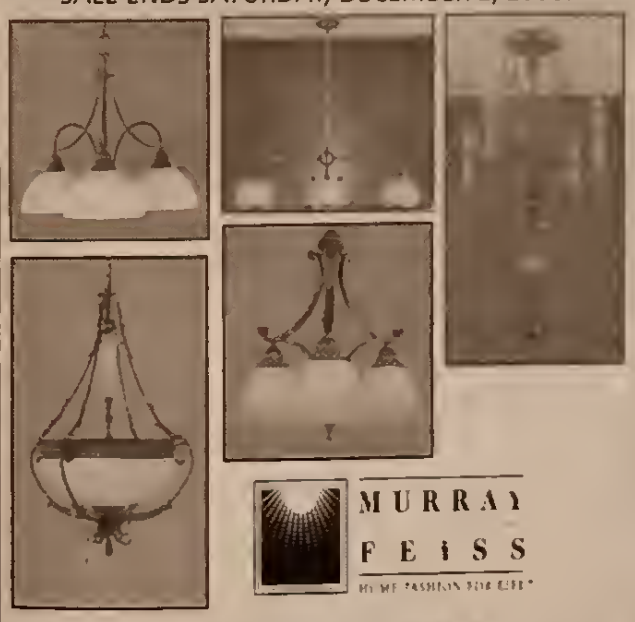

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Princeton Rotary Presents Vocational Service Award

For the first time, the Rotary Club of Princeton presented its annual Community Vocational Service Award to two individuals rather than one. This year's award was presented on Tuesday, October 31 at the Rotary Club's weekly luncheon meeting at the Nassau Inn in Palmer Square, to Bill Johnson, principal of John Witherspoon Middle School (JWMS), and Carmela Drummond, executive secretary to Mr. Johnson and JWMS office manager.

According to a press release from the Rotary Club, Mr. Johnson and Ms. Drummond were recognized for "outstanding professional achievement while maintaining the highest ethical standards, exemplifying the Rotary motto of 'Service above Self.'"

Mr. Johnson and Ms. Drummond have served together as a professional team at JWMS for 30 years. Mr. Johnson, now in his 31st year as Principal, has spent his career as an educator, administrator and role model to the youth of our community.

Hailed as the "Middle School First Lady" by her co-workers, Mrs. Drummond, retired on January 1, 2006, after 54 years of service in the district, 30 of which were at JWMS.

Mr. Johnson was selected for the award because of the "commitment and dedication that has always been a part of Mr. Johnson's tenure at John Witherspoon," as well as his belief that "the development of human minds is serious business."

Summarizing his own philosophy, Mr. Johnson said: "With all of the educational trends that come and go, we need to make sure that the human qualities are developed."

Throughout his tenure, Mr. Johnson has expected his staff members to be involved in the development of the spirit, as well as the mind of every student.

Ms. Drummond's role at the Middle School exemplified Mr. Johnson's belief that all staff members, whether they be teachers, office personnel, support staff or custodians, contribute to the education of students by becoming part of the educational action.

When asked about the most enjoyable aspect of her 30 years as Mr. Johnson's executive secretary, Ms. Drummond spoke of her interaction with students, her participation in many student activities and field trips, and her focus on helping students appreciate the opportunities provided in the Princeton Schools.

Mr. Johnson recognized Ms. Drummond for her outstanding technical skills, which she received at Princeton High School in a vocational work study program before she graduated in 1952, as well as her dedication. "I didn't view what I did as a job but as something that I loved to do," said Ms. Drummond.

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With Hovnanian Withdrawal, Advocates Make Push for Alternate Bunn Drive Site

When developer K. Hovnanian pulled out of an already approved development plan to build 140 market rate, age restricted housing units along a 20-acre tract on Bunn Drive, it represented, for some, more than just a loss of ratable properties in Princeton Township. For many displaced Princeton seniors now living at Stonebridge at Montgomery, it represented a lost opportunity to move back to Princeton.

And with an increasingly complicated battle taking place between current residents and another prospective developer wanting to build 55-and-up housing in an area opposite of where Hovnanian was supposed to build, some seniors are now seeing something that was not envisioned when the Township designated overlay zones in the area known as the Princeton Ridge: the possibility that housing will never exist in that area.

While the proposed development put forth by the Orange-based Morgan Estates does not occupy any of the Township's senior housing overlay zones, housing advocates are making a push for approval.

At a Township Zoning Board of Adjustment hearing two weeks ago where the Morgan application was discussed, Eleanor Angoff, a long-time proponent for senior housing and a member of the advocacy group, the Coalition for Senior Housing, said that she and other seniors were "crushed" by the news of Hovnanian's withdrawal.

"So many active volunteers have moved to Montgomery — you can't imagine how much the seniors mean to this community," she added.

But Ms. Angoff was quiet Monday as the Zoning Board continued its hearing, which did not, as expected, come to a conclusion on the 98-unit application. A new hearing has been scheduled for December 13, at 7:30 p.m., at Township Hall.

Environmental issues abound. Residents of nearby Governors Lane have long worried that any development on those lands would increase stormwater runoff, and potentially harm the environmentally sensitive Princeton Ridge — an area in the Township with a bedrock-laden geographic terrain. Environmental groups, including the New Jersey chapter of the Sierra Club, have discouraged development in that part of the Township.

While supporting 62-and-up housing as outlined by federal housing mandates, which bar residents younger than 62, some Township officials worry that if 55-plus housing is approved by the Zoning Board, it will set a precedent for younger age-restricted housing. Under federal housing regulations, housing designated for 55 and up requires that only one member of a household be at least 55, which leaves the door open for younger spouses and children.

On Monday, personal care and household products manufacturer Church & Dwight, which has its main headquarters on Bunn Drive near the two lots on which Morgan is proposing to build, produced Richard T. Coppola, a planner and principal with Coppola & Coppola Associates, who questioned the wisdom of granting a variance to allow the proposed housing on these sites. Mr. Coppola argued that 55 and up housing would not result in so-called senior housing.

But Mr. Coppola provided what could be the essence of Church & Dwight's objections to any development: that changing the precedent in the Township's OR-2 zoning district could possibly preclude additional office research facilities, and could, he said, potentially take land designated for office use, possibly violating the Princeton Community Master Plan.

However, Morgan attorney Frank Petrino argued that residential housing, in a cluster-style of development, is allowed in the OR-2 and that the proposed density of the Morgan development would be similar to that of the former Hovnanian development.

A contingent of residents on Governors Lane, who are opposed to the prospective development, indicated that they would bring in a hydrologist to testify at the December 13 hearing to examine potential developmental impacts as related to stormwater runoff.

Township Engineer Robert Kiser said that the Morgan Estates proposal, as is, hits the limit of impervious surface coverage as allowed by the Township, making additional development, such as tennis courts, and other recreational areas, possible only through zoning approvals.

A public hearing for the application is expected to take place during a portion of the December 13 hearing.

— Matthew Hersh

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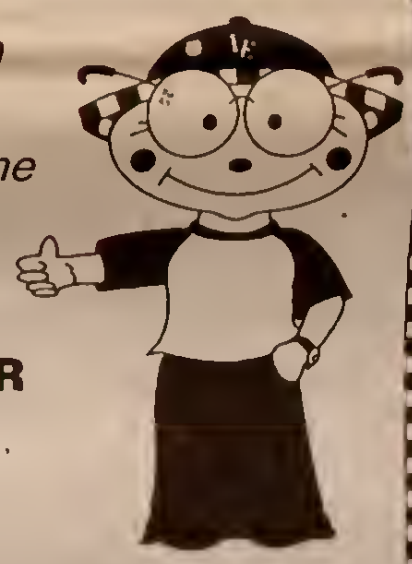

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Rescue Report

On Saturday October 28, the Princeton First Aid'& Rescue Squad responded for an elderly woman who had an altered mental status. She was confused and speaking incoherently, had a weak, thready pulse, pale complexion, and respiratory difficulty. The crew immediately applied oxygen, which began to improve her neurological status to the point that she became responsive to limited verbal questioning. She was transported to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP) for evaluation and treatment.

Early Wednesday morning, November 1, the Squad responded for a woman who was stumbling, slurring her words and "not acting appropriately" according to her acquaintance. The crew found her confused, slow to respond to questions and unable to form complete sentences. She was transported to UMCP for treatment.

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization. For more information on donation or volunteering opportunities, call 924-3338 or visit www.pfars.org.

Fire Wire

The all-volunteer Princeton Fire Department responded to a variety of calls this week, including false alarms for malfunctioning smoke or carbon monoxide detectors at homes and businesses on Bouvant Drive, David Brearley Court, Hibben Road, Leigh Avenue, Lawrence Drive, Meadowbrook Drive, Palmer Square, Prospect Avenue, River Road, Shady Brook Lane, Washington Road and Winant Drive, as well as the Hun School, the John Witherspoon Middle School, Princeton High School, Princeton Day School, the Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart and the University Medical Center of Princeton.

On Tuesday, October 31, crews responded to a call on Knoll Drive for a tree that was on fire. By the time the crews arrived, the homeowner had partially extinguished the fire, which was started by an electrical wire.

On Wednesday, crews were sent to investigate an odor of natural gas in the area of Elm Road and Rosedale Road, but they did not find anything. Crews also responded to a similar call at Franklin Avenue and Ewing Street Friday, but found nothing.

On Sunday, volunteers responded to a Cherry Hill Road residence to investigate the cause of smoke in the house, which they traced to a waffle that had become stuck in a toaster.

Crews also were sent to find the source of an odor of smoke at a Wheatsheaf Lane residence Sunday. The crews used a thermal imaging camera to check for fire behind the walls, but found nothing.

The Princeton Fire Department,was founded in 1788. The department is always looking for more members. If interested, call (609) 540-9343 or (609) 731-1313.

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A forum for Princeton residents to express opinions about local and national issues.

Question of the Week:

"Do you think that same sex civil unions should be called marriage?"

"Yes, I definitely do. I think that marriage is all about love, and that they should have the same privileges as anyone else."

— Terry Watkins, Randall Road

"It is very complicated. I think that marriage is not a business nor a contract. It is just something between people who love each other, and the government should not get involved."

— Sergui Silem, Wiggins Street

"I think it should be considered the same as marriage, and should get the same benefits. Everyone is created equal under God's eye."

— Ephram Lewis, Red Oak Row

"Yes, I think that they should. It's just a matter of justice and equal rights for all. I hope the timing of the ruling does not hurt the Democrats on Tuesday."

— Michael Lapp with Hannah, Prospect Avenue

"In the sense of being given the same rights as a marriage, I agree. However, I think it should go one step further, that they be able to obtain a marriage certificate. In any event, they should be considered as married whatever the title."

— Marsha Herrling, William Patterson Court

University Gets E-Quad Building Approval; Board Gives Nod to Planned UMCP Zoning

Princeton University won unanimous approval Thursday night from the Regional Planning Board of Princeton to build a 46,700-square-foot building off Charlton Street in the Borough that will house the University's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences' Department of Operations, Research, and Financial Engineering.

The building, which received a favorable review by the Planning Board's advisory panel in September, will be constructed adjacent to the University's Mudd Manuscript Library and a University electrical substation. The future footprint of the building currently rests on a 34-space parking lot bounded by Charlton Street, William Street, and Olden Street, with Prospect Avenue just to the south.

However, the plan seen by the Planning Board's Site Plan Review Advisory Board remained largely the same, barring a new variance sought by the University to allow for an increase in building height, from a maximum allowed 39 feet to just over 41 feet. Members of the Planning Board, which has the power to grant ordinances, offered no objections to this increase request. When the University originally appeared before the Planning Board for a concept review, the building height complied with the Borough zoning standards, but the ordinance was altered when the Borough changed its definition of how it measures building height as part of its review of residential standards.

In line with additional changes made to the Borough E-3 zoning district last year, there is no anticipated increase in automobile traffic, as the University will use its shuttle system, P-Rides, to bring in building users who have parked offsite.

The new building will contain offices and studios for faculty and graduate students, said University architect Jon Hlafter. The mainly glass-faced building will also feature an auditorium on the ground floor, along with an atrium and a library. According to Mr. Hlafter, the glass front will be similar to the façade of the nearby Friend Center for Engineering Education.

In other news, the Planning Board unanimously endorsed proposed zoning enabling future development on the Township portion of the site currently occupied by the University Medical Center at Princeton on Witherspoon Street. The zoning, set for a December 4 public hearing by Township Committee, would rezone the three-and-a-half-acre parcel chiefly occupied by the hospital's current 743-space parking garage and its Medical Arts Building at the corner of Henry Avenue and Witherspoon.

The garage, located in the Township's current H-2 zone, would be transformed to a retail/office zone under the proposed codes, and would establish an overlay zone spanning the footprint of the garage, ensuring the future existence of the structure, which would remain to accommodate up to 280 residential units and retail operations that would appear on the southern, Borough portion of the site.

— Matthew Hersh

Crafters' Marketplace Returns to JW School

The 33rd annual Crafters' Marketplace will take place at John Witherspoon Middle School on Saturday and Sunday, November 18 and 19. It will open at 10 a.m. on both days and close at 5 p.m. on Saturday and 4 p.m. on Sunday.

More than 140 artisans from the northeast will display original handmade jewelry, pottery, clothing, and a wide selection of holiday gift items. Admission is $6 a day or $10 for a two day pass. Admission for senior citizens and children 15-7 is $5 and children under the age of 7 are admitted free.

New this year will be the Patrons' Preview Party from 6:30-9 p.m. on Thursday, November 16 at the Miele showroom. The showroom is located at 9 Independence Way, on Route 1 North, just south of Ridge Road.

Party patrons will be offered desserts and hors d'oeuvres created by Bobby Trigg, chef and owner of Princeton's Ferry House and the soon to open, BT20 at the Peacock Inn. Mr. Trigg will also perform cooking demonstrations in a Miele kitchen and take holiday orders for the not yet released Ferry House Cookbook. The evening will also include a silent auction featuring dinners at top local restaurants. Tickets to the party are $75 which includes complimentary lunch and free admission to the Crafters' Marketplace.

All proceeds from the Patrons' Party and Crafters' Marketplace benefit the YWCA Princeton and its Bates Scholarship program which enables economically disadvantaged community members to participate in YWCA programs at reduced rates according to financial need. To receive an invitation to the Patrons' Party, call (609) 497-2100, ext. 333.

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Seeds of Justice Sown In Princeton To Take Root in Trenton Next Spring

When Princeton resident Dorothy Moote stepped down as chair of the Mercer County Coalition for Restorative Justice, the group she founded in Princeton just three years ago, it was an occasion to look back to the coalition's beginnings and forward to its future impact in New Jersey.

Ms. Moote is amazed at how far the coalition has come in such a short time. MCCRJ will introduce a new program into the New Jersey Justice system next spring in the state capital.

The state's first restorative justice program will focus on cases involving juvenile first offenders of minor crimes, for all of Mercer County.

It's a first step toward MCCRJ's goal of making the concept of restorative justice an integral part of the New Jersey Justice system, as it is in other states.

"The process works because it's victim-centered," said Ms. Moote, a medical biologist by training. "A mediator brings victim and offender together; the victim describes the effects of the crime, and the offender takes responsibility for his/her action; connecting offenders with their victims has a powerful effect and leads to healing for both the perpetrator and the victim."

But it's not as simple as putting the two together in one room. The idea of restorative justice may have deep historical roots in cultures as old as the books of Exodus and Genesis, but in practice it requires trained mediators who are as crucial to its success as the willingness of perpetrators to take responsibility for their actions, and the willingness of victims to participate.

The training of mediators to work directly with the Trenton Police Department will begin next March.

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Beginnings

MCCRJ began at the Trinity Church in Princeton when a group of concerned parishioners, including Ms. Moote, decided to take a look at New Jersey's longstanding moratorium on capital punishment.

While New Jersey has capital punishment on its books, it has been 43 years since the last execution.

With the support of Trinity Episcopal Church, the group put on a program at Nassau Presbyterian Church to which Ms. Moote invited *Dead Man Walking* author and advocate against the death penalty Sister Helen Prejean as guest speaker.

The turn out of 600 was more than anyone had anticipated. "People from 40 faith-based community organizations came together around this issue," Ms. Moote recalled.

After discussions on the death penalty, she and others, went looking for something that would have a positive impact on the justice system. They found it in Minnesota, Vermont, and Pennsylvania, where programs of restorative justice are in place.

The Center for Peace and Restorative Justice at the University of Minnesota has identified four types of restorative justice and has undertaken studies showing that juvenile offenders have low rates of recidivism — the return to prison again and again. Victim involvement is a strong component in the success of any program.

At that time, members of the church group were meeting on a regular basis with teenage detainees in the Mercer County Juvenile Detention Center who had volunteered to participate in a faith-based program. Impressed by their

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Restorative Justice

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interest and the feeling of power and security that the program seemed to give them, Ms. Moote and others began thinking about a program based on restorative justice that would end the downward spiral many of these young offenders were at risk of being dragged into.

"We worked with kids who had shoplifted and broken windows," said Ms. Moote. "They were not serious criminals, but they were heading down the slippery slope."

Victim Offender Mediation

In the fall of 2004, the group visited a Victim Offender Mediation (VOM) program in Lancaster Pa., which has 60 trained mediators and now works with hard core felons.

While Ms. Moote has similar hopes for MCCRJ, the organization is taking small steps toward its goal, beginning the process here in New Jersey with a program for juveniles that will have an advantage in combating the loss of community that often results from incarceration.

The visit to Pennsylvania provided insights on how to expedite judicial and political hurdles.

Subsequently the group contacted three other juvenile VOM groups, in California, Oregon, and in the state of Washington.

With her husband, Lloyd Moote, and Reverend Frank Strasburger, Ms. Moote approached Princeton Burough Police Detective Creegan to talk about a program for juveniles.

"He responded positively to the proposal for victim offender mediation but felt that we'd have more of an impact in greater Mercer County rather than being confined to Princeton," recalled Ms. Moote.

This year, the New Jersey Association on Correction has taken MCCRJ under its wing, providing fiscal oversight and tax exempt status, as well as an office in Trenton at 986 South Broad Street.

Board member Walter Drew Smith, one of only three experienced restorative justice trainers in the state, and MCCRJ Board Member Abdus-Salaam Muhsin, will coordinate the 35 hours of training for MCCRJ's volunteer mediators.

Ms. Moote is anxious to see the new program in action, as a result of which, she believes, the community as a whole should feel safer as healing begins for all participants.

"I look forward to spring of 2007 watching how the fabric of our community is both strengthened and supported by this program," said Ms. Moote, who remains active on the board.

Ms. Moote came to Princeton in 1994 from Los Angeles where she and her husband Lloyd Moote, emeritus professor of history at the University of Southern California, lived from 1966.

Together the Mootes are the authors of *The Great Plogue: The Story of London's Most Deodly Yeor* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2004), a chronicle of the epidemic that devastated parts of England between 1665 and 1668.

For more information on restorative justice, call Dorothy Moote at (609) 252-0224.

— Linda Arntzenius

ADVOCATE FOR A DIFFERENT KIND OF JUSTICE: From her home in Princeton, Dorothy Moote works to introduce the concept of restorative justice to New Jersey. The group she founded, Mercer County Coalition for Restorative Justice, will bring first time offenders together with those they have wronged in a new program being developed in Trenton next spring.

Veterans Day Ceremony Coming This Saturday

The Spirit of Princeton Committee will hold its annual Veterans Day Ceremony on Saturday, November 11, at 11 a.m. at the site of All Veterans Monument, on the corner of Nassau and Mercer Streets. Lt. Col Brooks Dyer, USMCR-Ret. will be the Master of Ceremony and Dr. Thomas Hartmann, longtime Princeton resident, Professor Emeritus from Rutgers University, and decorated WWII combat pilot will be the featured speaker.

The Blawenberg Band and the Princeton Girl Choir will provide music and the Marine Corps detachment from Trenton will provide a color guard and will be joined by a Revolutionary War re-enactor. In addition, Dr. Richard Armstrong, a Princeton resident, WWII veteran, and Professor Emeritus from the Princeton Theological Seminary will offer a benediction.

The ceremony is free and open to the public. The traditional timing of the ceremony is set to coincide with the exact moment the World War I armistice went into effect, signaling world peace.

Calendar

Wednesday, November 8

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: American Red Cross Blood Drive; Johnson & Johnson, 199 Grandview Avenue, Skillman.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Annual Festival of Trees; Morven Museum & Garden, 55 Stockton Street. Also Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

10:30 a.m.: Readings Over Coffee, *Unbought and Unbossed*, with Cecelia B. Hodges; Princeton Public Library.

1 to 4:30 p.m.: Princeton Regional Health Department Flu Shots for residents with last names beginning M to Z; Suzanne Patterson Center. (Shots for residents with last names beginning A to L were November 1.)

2 and 8 p.m.: *Miss Saigon*; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

3 to 7 p.m.: "Princeton Campus Plan: Plans In Progress"; Chancellor Green Rotunda, Princeton University.

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

7:30 p.m.: Township Zoning Board of Adjustment; Township Municipal Complex.

Thursday, November 9

10:30 a.m.: Contemporary Fiction Discussion, *Midnight at the Dragon Cafe*; Princeton Public Library.

1:30 to 7:30 p.m.: American Red Cross Blood Drive; Central New Jersey Chapter, 707 Alexander Road. Also Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

4 p.m.: Fred Jerome and Rodger Taylor discuss their book, *Einstein On Roce and Racism*, in the Jose Martl Lounge at the Carl A. Fields Center, 86 Olden Street.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Concert of French chamber music with Quatuor Parisii; Richardson Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Engelbert Humperdinck's opera *Honsel and Gretel*; Don Evans Studio Theatre, Kendall Hall, The College of New Jersey. Also Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

Friday, November 10

10 a.m.: *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m.: Talk by Jamie O'Neill, author of *At Swim Two Boys*; Stewart Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

7 to 10 p.m.: Ping Pong Night for Adults; Plainsboro Municipal Building.

8 p.m.: The *Prince and the Pauper: The Musical*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Dance Improv movement workshop; All Saints' Church.

8 p.m.: *Greetings!*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Iphigenia in Aulis*; Studio Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Program in Theater and Dance production of The *Ployboy of the Western World*; Berlind Theatre. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Wonderful Town*; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Westminster Winds and Violanti Flutes, faculty recital; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: *Urinetown*; Yvonne Theater, Rider University, Lawrenceville. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Triangle Club Show, *Heist Almighty*; McCarter Theatre. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: John Knight and Paul Verzi; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

9 p.m.: *An Evening with Bliggins & Goines & Friends*; Mitchells' Café, Church Street, Lambertville.

Saturday, November 11

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Fall Rummage Sale; Trinity Church, 33 Mercer Street.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Health Care Ministry of Princeton's medical equipment collection drive; Christ Congregation Church, 50 Walnut Lane. To donate, call (609) 530-1513.

11 a.m.: Veterans Day Ceremony at the site of All Veterans Monument, on the corner of Nassau and Mercer Streets.

Noon and 2 p.m.: Curious George in *Storybook Fun*; Center Court at Quaker Bridge Mall, Lawrenceville. Free.

7:30 p.m.: *Melodious Accord, A Concert of Praise*, with Princeton Seminary Singers and brass quartet; Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Jazz Concert, *Composing-in-the-Moment*; Richardson Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Westminster Choir; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: *In The Mood*; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Musical Tribute to jazz violinist Stephane Grappelli and guitarist Django Reinhardt; Hopewell Valley Bistro. For reservations, call (609) 466-9889.

Sunday, November 12

1 p.m.: Program of Jewish music and poetry, presented by Sharim V'Sharot; Frist Hall, Room 302. Free. For reservations, call (609) 443-1623.

2 p.m.: *Chevalier: Maurice & Me* , with Tony Sandler; William Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

3 p.m.: Talk, "Milestones: John Street," with Penny Edwards-Carter and librarian Terri Nelson; Princeton Public Library.

3 to 5 p.m.: Family Dance; Princeton Friends School, 470 Quaker Road.

4 p.m.: Princeton Symphony Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium.

7 p.m.: Aquila Theatre Company's *Romeo and Juliet*; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

Monday, November 13
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4 p.m.: Princeton Symphony Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium.

6:30 p.m.: Township Committee meeting, informal dialogue between Township residents and elected officials; Township Municipal Complex. (Regular Township Committee meeting will begin at 7 p.m.)

8 p.m.: Readings by Delaware Valley Poets Adelle Bourne, John Bourne, and Nancy Scott; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

8 p.m.: Rock 'n' roll band Little Feat; McCarter Theatre.

Tuesday, November 14

8 p.m.: Soledad Barrio and Noche Flamenca; Berlind Theatre.

8 p.m.: The Value of Names; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Wednesday at 8 p.m., Thursday at 8 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

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2 and 8 p.m.: *The Graduate*; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Thursday at 2 and 8 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

7 p.m.: Christopher Reeve Lecture Series, with Robert F. Kennedy Jr.; Princeton Public Library.

7:30 p.m.: Lecture, "Sabbath, Restoring the Sacred Rhythm of Rest," by therapist, author, and minister Wayne Muller; Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary. Free.

8 p.m.: Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: James Madison Program in American Ideals lecture by Ohio University Prof. Alonzo L. Hamby, "Franklin D. Roosevelt: Lion, Fox, or Muddler?"; Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall.

Thursday, November 16

8 p.m.: Moscow State Symphony Orchestra; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Program in Theater and Dance production of The Playboy of the Western World; Berlind Theatre. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Friday, November 17

7 p.m.: Talk by Trenton City Museum Director Brian O. Hill; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

7:30 p.m.: Sourland Hills Actors Guild's production of Peter Pan; Montgomery High School Performing Arts Center, Skillman. Also Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Cedar Lake Contemporary Ballet; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Iphigenia in Aulis; Studio Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Urinetown; Yvonne Theater, Rider University, Lawrenceville. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

WINNING MOVES: Canaan Sharon, a kindergarten student at Princeton Charter School, and a white belt student at Montgomery TaeKwonDo Academy in Rocky Nill, won a Spirit Award a the New Jersey Martial Arts Alliance Championship held at Montgomery Nigh School on November 4.

People

Principal **Bitt Cirutlo**, of Riverside School will be honored on Saturday, December 2, at 5 p.m., with "Cirullopalooza," a party to mark his 50 years with the Princeton Regional School district where he has been a student, a teacher, a coach, and a principal. Born and raised on Humbert Street in Princeton Borough, Mr. Cirullo attended Princeton Elementary School and Quarry Street Middle School, graduating from Princeton High School in 1966. He taught at Community Park School and John Witherspoon Middle School before becoming principal at Riverside. The family-oriented event will take place in the school's gymnasium, and will feature a potluck dinner, followed by entertainment and dessert. Those planning to attend are encouraged to bring along a favorite dish to share. For more information, call (609) 683-8787.

J. Graeme McWhirter

Local resident J. Graeme McWhirter has been named chief financial officer of The Pennington School, an independent coeducational day and boarding school for students in grades 6 through 12. A graduate of the Leys School in Cambridge, England, Mr. McWhirter was formerly with Medialink Worldwide Inc.

Whitney J. Sinkter Robinson, the daughter of the late Stanley Robinson and Joyce Sinkler Robinson, won the American Bar Association (ABA) Mid-Atlantic Regional Mediation Competition and placed second in the ABA National Section of Dispute Resolution's "Representation in Mediation Competition" in Atlanta, Ga. Ms. Robinson is in her final year at Washington College of Law at the American University in Washington, D.C. She will go on to participate in the International Chamber of Commerce Mediation Advocacy Competition in Paris in January 2007.

Miles Radcliffe-Trenner, the son of Annabelle and Richard Radcliffe-Trenner of Province Line Road, and a 2004 graduate of the Princeton Friends School, has been awarded the David Lord Fitzgerald Prize by the Hotchkiss School, an independent high school in Lakeville, Connecticut. The prize is awarded annually to a sophomore for "positive spirit, strength of character, and compassion for others."

Eleanor Horne

Eleanor Horne, vice president of the social investment fund at ETS, has been named honorary chair of the YWCA's Tribute to Women Annual Dinner, which will take place on March 15, 2007, at the Hyatt Regency Princeton. "Eleanor lives the YWCA mission to eliminate racism and empower women and ETS has been an important partner in many YWCA Princeton programs designed to achieve these goals," said Judy Hutton, YWCA CEO. For more information, call (609) 497-2100, ext. 316 or 333.

PHS Graduate **Katherine J. Bliss**, the daughter of Mary and Walter Bliss of Moore Street, Princeton, has been selected to play for the Hamilton College field hockey team for the 2006 season. Ms. Bliss is a senior majoring in sociology.

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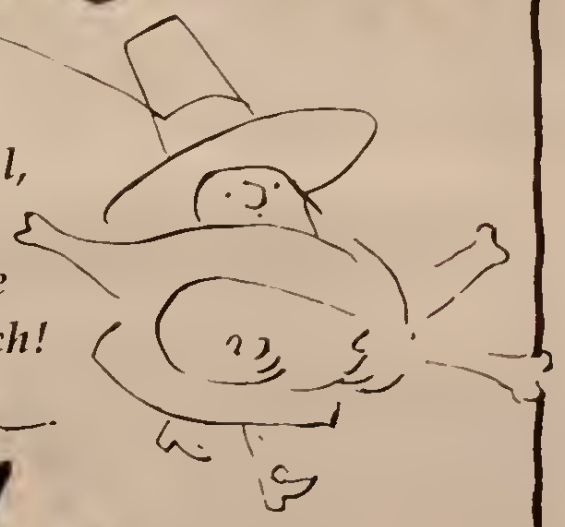

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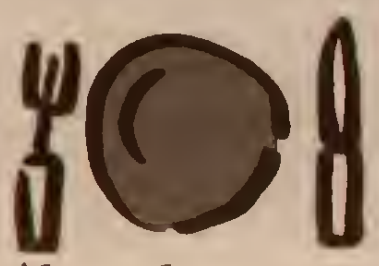

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also indicate that Ms. Nottingham may be in the company of a small child.

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Police have noted Ms. Nottingham's tendency to run away. Before her last sighting in 2003, she had left home 13 times.

Mr. Mammana has put up a total of $2 million for information leading to the recovery of the 20 missing persons throughout the country, according to Township Police.

Tips can be reported to Princeton Township Det. Annette Henderson, at (609) 921-2100, ext. 818, or Township Det. Sgt. Ernie Silagyi at the same phone number, ext. 814. Information can also be left on the Confidential Tip Hot Line voicemail at (609) 688-2049. Callers should leave their name, phone number, and the last four numbers of their Social Security number for reward identification purposes, though the reward is not administered by, nor is it associated with, the Township Police Department.

More information can be found on the 411 Gina Web site at www.411Gina.org and on the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Web site at www.missingkids.com. Ms. Nottingham's missing person's reward poster and picture can be seen on Princeton Township's Web site at www.princetontwp.org, and clicking on "Missing Person Alert."

—Matthew Hersh

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER: The Auxiliary of the University Medical Center at Princeton held its 10th annual "A November Night" fund-raising gala last Saturday evening at the Brearley House in Lawrenceville. More than 325 people attended the event, whose theme, the Harvest Ball, was geared to support the hospital's emergency cardiac care, heart-related community education and screening programs, and continuing education for Emergency Medical Technicians. Pictured from left are: Michael Pimley; Harvest Ball Co-Chair Kim Pimley; Harvest Ball Co-Chair Amy Rabner; and Princeton HealthCare System President and CEO Barry Rabner.

Police Blotter

Princeton Township

Princeton Township Police responded to a call at 1:31 p.m. October 27, when a Township woman, Rima Taha, reported that while cooking food in a frying pan, the pan caught fire. In an attempt to extinguish the pan, she threw it into the kitchen sink, subsequently exposing her right hand and lower right leg and foot to the hot cooking oil. The oil also made contact with a sofa, kitchen floor, and the sink area. The sofa was reportedly "smoking" when the first responding fire department members arrived. The Princeton Fire Department removed the sofa from the residence. Paper towels, mounted above the sink also caught fire and were extinguished. No other damage was reported, but the Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad transported Ms. Taha to the University Medical Center at Princeton for further evaluation and treatment. Officers remained at the residence until Ms. Taha's husband, Hilal Taha, returned home.

Township Police responded to a call on November 4 at 12:50 p.m. reporting a suspicious briefcase on the sidewalk outside of Bon Appetit at the Princeton Shopping Center. The briefcase, which had reportedly been left unattended for three hours, was examined by the Township's K-9 unit and found to be empty. During the inspection, however, the entire area was closed off to motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic for approximately one hour.

Princeton Borough

Sheshina Owens, 28, of the West Trenton section of Ewing Township, was arrested October 31 at 7:20 p.m., following a motor vehicle stop on an active warrant from the Ewing Township Municipal Court. She was brought to Princeton Borough Police headquarters and released on $488 bail.

Albert D. Montgomery, 48, of Trenton, was arrested November 1 at 11:08 p.m. and charged with hindering after giving a Borough Police officer a false name following a motor vehicle stop on Riverside Drive. It was also determined that Mr. Montgomery had multiple outstanding warrants and he was processed and held on those warrants. Additionally, he was charged with possession of marijuana and numerous driving summonses, including driving while suspended. Bail was set at $4,254, and Mr. Montgomery was transferred to the Ewing Township Police Department. A November 15 court date has been set for Princeton Borough Municipal Court.

WEDDINGS

Katharine Anne Farrell and John F. (Jay) Kelsey IV

Farrell-Kelsey. Katharine Anne (Annie) Farrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrell of Princeton, to John Forsyth (Jay) Kelsey IV, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Kelsey III, also of Princeton, on October 21 at Nassau Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Elsie Armstrong Rhodes officiated.

The bride, who is retaining her name, is a graduate of Douglass College of Rutgers University. She is currently the textbook manager for an independent bookstore in Durham, N.C. The groom is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, and is employed as a graphic designer by R.H. Donnelley, also in Durham, where the couple resides.

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engaged in planning for the arts neighborhood from the beginning," he said, though added that University officials are "hopeful" that Piano's firm would "re-engage when we are ready to begin designing buildings for the site."

The arts neighborhood and other aspects of the University's campus planning project will be on display at a public forum this afternoon and evening, from 3 to 7 p.m., at Chancellor Green on campus.

Though the University has long eyed a reconfiguration of the Alexander Road/University Place neighborhood, the initiative began moving aggressively following a $101 million donation from auto insurance executive Peter B. Lewis for the advancement of the arts. The donation was the largest in University history.

At the time that gift was received, Robert Durkee, University vice president and secretary, specifically cited the area as one where the University would like to build. University President Shirley Tilghman also released a creative and performing arts initiative seeking possible locations for various new facilities.

—Matthew Hersh

Trinity Church Hosts Fall Rummage Sale

Trinity Church will hold their annual Fall Rummage Sale in Parish Hall, located at 33 Mercer Street, on Saturday, November 11, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Highlights of the sale include a wide assortment of furniture, electronics, bedding, winter coats, and sweaters. Proceeds from the sale will benefit programs at the church. For additional information call (609) 924-2277 or visit www.trinityprinceton.org.

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Boys & Girls Club to Honor Township Resident at Gala

The Boys & Girls Club of Trenton & Mercer County will recognize Princeton Township resident Moore Gates, Jr. for his 40 years of service at its 40th Annual Candlelight Ball. The black-tie gala, set to take place next Saturday, November 18, in the Trenton Marriott. Mr. Gates is a life governor of Boys & Girls Clubs of America and a supporter of the Trenton club.

Beginning as a volunteer with a youth group at the Boys Club of New York in the 1950s, Mr. Gates subsequently assumed a fund-raising role for the club's national office, Boys and Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) before he joined the organization's governing body in 1970. In 1974, he became treasurer of the national board, a role in which he continued for 20 years. Today, he serves as life governor and continues to speak on BGCA's efforts in assisting disadvantaged youths. In addition to a tribute to Mr. Gates, the Candlelight Ball will feature a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing to orchestral music, and a silent auction.

The event is a major fund-raising event for the Boys & Girls Club of Trenton. For more information about the Candlelight Ball, or BGCA, visit www.bgctrenton.org or call (609 392-3191, ext. 16.

NAACP Legal Defense Fund To Honor Local Supporter

The Princeton Committee of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund (LDF) will honor Princeton Borough resident William Scheide at its 31st annual champagne reception and jazz concert from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, November 12th, at the Stuart Country Day School. Mr. Scheide will be honored for his longstanding support of the work of the LDF and as a founding sponsor of the Princeton Committee.

LDF was founded in 1940 under the leadership of Thurgood Marshall to secure the civil and constitutional rights of African Americans and other people of color. Over the years, LDF has become America's premier civil rights law organization. Beginning with the landmark school desegregation decision in Brown v. Board of Education, LDF has been involved in litigation to secure voting rights and civil rights. LDF's recent voting rights work has included legal action to prevent disenfranchisement of the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The Princeton Committee was formed in 1975 to provide financial support to LDF and educate the public about its mission. For more than 50 years, Mr. Scheide has played a part in advancing the goals of the Legal Defense Fund and in furthering the cause of social justice.

The jazz program at this year's reception will feature music by the Wycliffe Gordon Quartet, an award-winning ensemble that has headlines at jazz venues internationally. For more information on the quartet, visit www.wycliffe gordon.com.

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1 cup vodka
1 28 ounce can Tuttorossa crushed tomatoes
1 pint of light cream
⅓ cup grated Romano cheese
½ lb domestic prosciutto, sliced thin and cut into pieces

Saute garlic and red pepper in butter in a large saute pan until garlic is soft but not brown. Add vodka and cook low for 5 minutes.

Add can of crushed tomatoes, cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir in cream slowly. Add cheese and prosciutto before serving, mix and then pour over cooked rigatoni!

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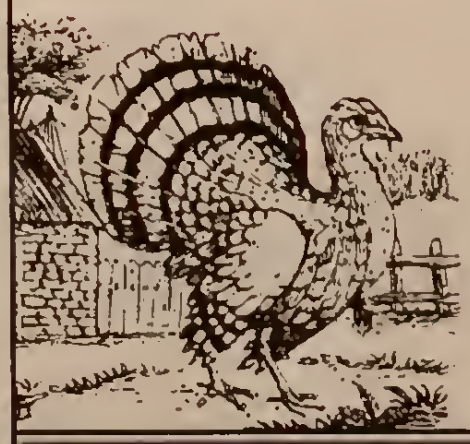

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MAILBOX

Passing of Dorothy Jackson Saddens Intergenerational Program Students

To the Editor:

Last month Princeton lost Dorothy Jackson, a wonderful longtime resident of the John-Witherspoon neighborhood, where she had lived for many years.

She lived a quiet life, in a small house with few visitors and many memories. Her obituary said it well: Ms. Dorothy was known for her alertness, vitality, and strength.

We are very sad about her passing away, but we take comfort in the memories of the times we spent with her through our community service in high school. We are 2003 graduates of Stuart Country Day School, and starting in high school we were required to do at least 25 hours of community service each year. We decided that we wanted to be part of an intergenerational program that links high school students with homebound seniors. The program was run by Sue Tillet of the Princeton Senior Center. We were assigned Ms. Dorothy and visited with her over the span of three years. We loved visiting and spent a lot more time with her than was required out of love for who she was. This experience turned out to be a blessing which far exceeded our expectations. Community service taught us a valuable lesson that we will never forget — connecting us with people in a positive way that we may never have otherwise met.

Ms. Dorothy had lived in the Princeton community since she was a young girl, when she moved to New Jersey to live with relatives. She experienced Princeton through its greatest transitions in a highly personal way. She attended school in the Princeton segregated educational system, witnessed the civil rights movement in Princeton, and watched as the town changed through this historical period. Despite everything she went through, she always kept a positive and upbeat attitude that we admired.

Ms. Dorothy always wanted to help any way she could. She was deeply committed to her faith and enjoyed making sure everyone was happy and healthy. To us, she will be remembered as a caring, happy, and loving person who taught us much about kindness and forgiveness. We deeply hope that our community will remember her in this way as well. Community service is about giving of oneself. We were there to help Ms. Dorothy but instead Ms. Dorothy was the one who gave to us.

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Danger of Sharing Roads with Cars Suggests Bicyclists Use Sidewalks

To the Editor:

To encourage bicycling in Princeton, why not allow bicyclists to use those many long stretches of sidewalk where pedestrians are few and far between? Bicyclists could do so only on condition that their bikes were equipped with a bell to notify pedestrians of their approach, and only if they were using the many stretches of sidewalk designated for bicycle use. When crossing streets, after dismounting, they would have the same rights of way as pedestrians.

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To the Editor:

Over the past two weeks hundreds of residents of the Princeton area and beyond have joined in the festivities celebrating the 250th Anniversary of "Princeton in Princeton." Those who attended the many activities had an opportunity to learn more about the rich, collective history of the Princetons and the University through lectures, walking tours, special exhibits, and historic re-enactments.

We would like to thank the following community partners whose participation made this celebration possible: Borough of Princeton, Princeton Township, the Arts Council of Princeton, Borough Merchants for Princeton, Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce, Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, Historical Society of Princeton, Morven Museum and Garden, the Nassau Inn, Nassau Presbyterian Church, Old Barracks Museum, Princeton Public Library, Princeton Regional Schools and the Princeton University Store.

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Director of Community Relations Princeton University

Arts Council Expresses Its Gratitude To All Halloween Parade Participants

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Arts Council of Princeton, I would like to thank everyone who participated in our Annual Hometown Halloween Parade. Over five hundred people marched from Witherspoon Plaza to Palmer Square. I would like to thank the Nassau Inn for their generous support in providing activities and treats, and Small World Coffee for donating hot chocolate coupons. I would also like to thank our Town Crier Rip Pelaton, the Princeton University Band, Mercer Engine Co. No. 3, the Princeton Police Department, and Palmer Square management.

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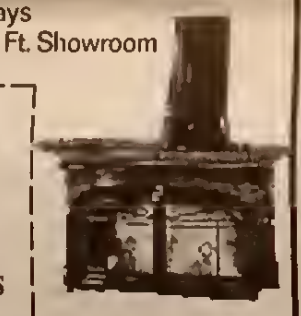

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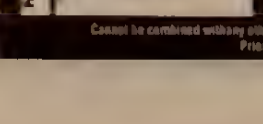

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Agreement Between Schools and Police Undermines Classroom Confidentiality

To the Editor:

Protecting the safety of students and staff is my highest priority as a school board member and parent. Past experience has shown that the best way to prevent dangerous behavior is for students to be willing and able to confide in school staff when they have foreknowledge of threats or imminent misbehavior by friends and acquaintances.

The Uniform Memorandum of Agreement between the police and the school district turns school staff into an arm of the police. Under certain circumstances, teachers are required to "maintain a chain of custody" of evidence and turn the contraband and perpetrator over to the police for prosecution.

Once students realize they can be arrested for confiding in their teachers, how willing will they be to warn them if a classmate or friend intends to bring a weapon to school? And the lines are not so clear. Are teachers required to report a student who submits a paper describing a robbery or intravenous drug use? Will failure to do so subject them to prosecution, thereby threatening their jobs and pensions? Teachers are already required to report suspected child abuse to the Department of Youth and Family Services.

Teacher safety, too, is jeopardized by this agreement. Police, prosecutors, and judges have the resources and knowledge to protect themselves from the anger of criminals who are being prosecuted. Teachers and administrators do not. And, in fact, making schools an arm of the law only increases the chance that they could become a target, endangering students alike.

This is why I have never voted in favor of the Uniform Memorandum of Agreement between the police and the school district in the eight times it has come before me as a member of the Princeton Regional Board of Education. Everyone has a job to do. The job of the schools is to educate. The job of the police is to protect, arrest, and prosecute. It is no more the job of the schools to instigate and ensure successful prosecution of criminals than it is the job of the police to teach grammar and algebra.

Confidentiality between students and school staff is the best protection against crime and violence in the schools. The Uniform Memorandum of Agreement between the police and the school district undermines the trust between student and teacher so essential for real communication and learning.

JOSHUA LEINSDORF
Member, Princeton Regional Board of Education

Borough Council Urged to Implement Spring Street Garage Safety Measures

To the Editor:

Now that the utility pole at the corner of Witherspoon and Wiggins has been moved, we may hope that Princeton Borough Council will also manage to secure, after a delay of two years, the movement or removal of the utility pole blocking the Wiggins Street entry to the Spring Street Garage. Let's also urge Borough Council to put in place some essential safety measures at the Garage, notably the following:

1) Adjust the grade at the Wiggins Street entrance so as to eliminate the bump between road pavement and garage surface.

2) Shave a corner off the southeast corner of the utility station so that the turning radius into the garage is not so impossibly tight. Drivers now need to "aim" their cars with real precision to get in without damaging car or ticket machine. At present, cars easily bump into the stanchions. Drivers must strain to reach the ticket machine and must often open their car doors and step out of their cars in order to take a ticket (while being careful not to bump their cars into the stanchion or post on the inside of the ticket machine). Garage users from the Wiggins Street entrance endure considerable hardships.

3) Borough authorities should put speed limit signs (5 mph) at strategic points within the garage, which presently operates more like a bumper-car arena at Coney Island. Most garages, unlike the Spring Street Garage, have one-way traffic, not two-way. In this garage, cars zip around the many blind corners, thus creating real hazards. Anyone doing a safety evaluation of this garage would say that visibility at most points is, at best, limited, not least because the structure is poorly lit.

Surely the greater Princeton community deserves these upgrades for a structure which is essential to the health of the downtown community and all people using it.

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Dead Man Walking Author On Death Penalty's Future

Sister Helen Prjean, author of *Dead Man Walking* and a prominent opponent of the death penalty, will lecture on Thursday, November 9, at 7:30 p.m., in McCosh 10, on the campus of Princeton University.

Ms. Prejean will discuss the growing movement against the death penalty in the context of the ongoing New Jersey commission in Trenton, which is considering whether to replace the state's death penalty with life without parole.

She will argue that the death penalty should be replaced by life imprisonment without parole, as the founder of the Moratorium Campaign, a group that seeks a halt to the death penalty.

Ms. Prejean is also the founder of Survive, a group that provides counseling and support to the families of murder victims.

Originally from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Ms. Prejean is a Roman Catholic nun, one of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Medaille.

Her first book chronicles her work with a death row inmate, Elmo Patrick Sonnier, in the Louisiana State Penitentiary, whom she began visiting in 1982. She became his spiritual advisor and accompanied him to his execution.

The experience prompted Ms. Prejean to speak out against capital punishment. She has since ministered to many other inmates on death row and witnessed several more executions.

She served as National Chairperson of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty from 1993 to 1995.

The autobiographical account of her relationship with Sonnier and other inmates on death row served as the basis for the feature film and opera *Dead Man Walking*. In the film, she was portrayed by Susan Sarandon.

Ms. Prejean's second book, The Death of Innocents: An Eyewitness Account of Wrongful Executions, discusses the execution of prisoners who are likely innocent of the crimes for which they were killed.

Published in December 2004, the book tells the story of two men, Dobie Gillis Williams and Joseph O'Dell, whom she accompanied to their executions, and whom she believes were innocent. It also examines the recent history of death penalty decisions by the Supreme Court of the United States and looks at the track record of George W. Bush as Governor of Texas.

Ms. Prejean's talk will be followed by a book signing.

The event is sponsored by Princeton University's Center for the Study of Religion, Council of the Humanities, Dollars & Sins, Office of Religious Life, PACE Center, Princeton Justice Project, Program in African American Studies, University Center for Human Values Undergraduate Forum, and USG Projects Board; Princeton Theological Seminary's Seminarians for Peace and Justice; New Jerseyans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty; and Princeton Coalition Against Capital Punishment.

Admission is free.

Written By: Marty Stockton
Illustrated by: Kathy Grover

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Three U-Store Events Scheduled Next Week

Pythagoras, scientific develpopment in China, and the corrupt admissions practices that favor the wealthy, the powerful, and the famous will be discussed at the Princeton University Store over the next week.

Christiane L. Joost-Gaugier, the author of *Raphael's Stanza della Segnatura: Meoning and Invention* and *Jacopo Bellini: Selected Drawings*, will discuss her new book, *Meosuring Heaven: Pythagoros and His Influence on Thought and Art in Antiquity ond the Middle Ages* (Cornell University Press, $45) at the U-Store on Thursday, November 9 at 7 p.m. Her book is the first to examine the unified concepts of harmony, proportion, form, and order that were attributed to Pythagoras in the millennium after his death and the important developments to which they led in art, architecture, mathematics, astronomy, music, medicine, morals, religion, law, alchemy, and the occult sciences. Surviving fragments of information about Pythagoras (born ca. 570 BCE) gave rise to a growing set of legends about the sage and his followers, whose reputations throughout Antiquity and the Middle Ages have never before been studied systematically.

Benjamin Elman, professor of East Asian Studies and History at Princeton and author of *On Their Own Terms*, will talk about his just-published book, *A Cultural History of Modern Science in China* (Harvard University Press, $35) on Tuesday, November 14 at 7 p.m. in his new work, Mr. Elman retells the story of the Jesuit impact on late imperial China, circa. 1600-1800, and the Protestant era in early modern China from the 1840s to 1900. His account of the emergence of modern science in China places that emergence in historical context for both general students of modern science and specialists of China.

In *The Price of Admission: How America's Ruling Closs Buys Its Way into Elite Colleges — ond Who Gets Left Outside the Gotes* (Crown, $25.95), the Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Daniel Golden, who will be at the U-Storę on Wednesday, November 15 at 7 p.m., argues that America, the "land of opportunity," is rapidly becoming an aristocracy in which America's richest families receive special access to elite higher education, enabling them to give their children even more of a head start. Mr. Golden's book is based on two years of investigative reporting and hundreds of interviews with students, parents and school administrators.

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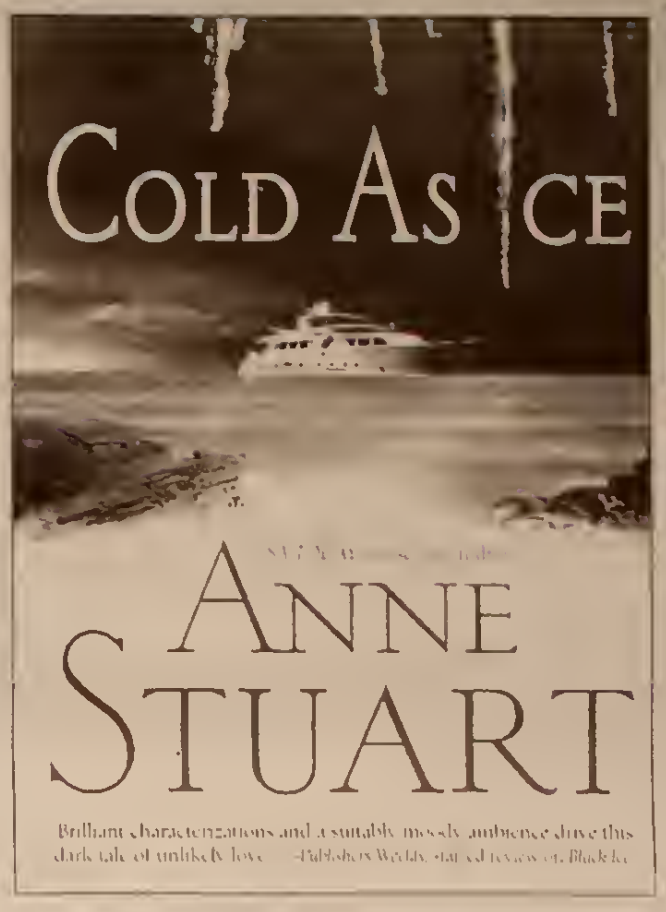

Former Princetonian Releases New Novel

Anne Stuart, who grew up in Princeton, has just published a new novel, *Cold As Ice* (Mira $6.99), the second in a series about a top secret, crime-fighting organization out to save the world from a deadly terrorist. The book is a follow-up to her best-seller, *Black Ice*.

The winner of three RITA awards from the Romance Writers of America, as well as the organization's lifetime achievement award, she has had books on numerous best seller lists.

According to Ms. Stuart, she grew up here "back in the days when girls didn't go to Princeton," she wrote her first romance after moving to Vermont; a gothic entitled *Barrett's Hill*, it was published by Ballantine in 1974 when she was 25 years old. She comes from a long line of writers--including her grandfather, her aunt, and her 90-year-old mother, who has just had her first novel published.

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Authors Discuss Einstein Book

Fred Jerome and Rodger Taylor will lead a book talk and discussion about their book, *Einstein On Roce and Rocism*, at 4 p.m., Thursday, November 9, in the Jose Marti Lounge at the Carl A. Fields Center, 86 Olden Street. The discussion is presented by the Fields Center, the Office of Academic Affairs and Diversity, and the Princetonians of Color Network. RSVP to caf@Princeton.edu.

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"Japanese Printmaking Today: A New Perspective," an exhibition of prints in the Susanne Patterson Building at 45 Stockton Street (behind Borough Hall), features contemporary woodblock, intaglio, mezzotint, and lithographic prints by four artists whose work has been selected for inclusion in The College Women's Association of Japan (CWAJ) 50th Anniversary Print Show, an annual juried exhibition that will take place at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. next March.

Works by Susumu Endo, Katsunori Hamanishi, Yoshikatsu Tamekane, and by Princeton resident Margaret Kennard Johnson, are on view — and on sale — in the exhibition that is being mounted jointly by the Princeton Senior Resource Center and the Williams Gallery of Fine Art.

The exhibition continues through November 30, weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. (closed during Thanksgiving, November 23 and 24) and works on sale benefit the Princeton Senior Resource Center, a private non-profit agency that provides programs and social services to older adults in the wider Princeton area.

The Artists

Princeton resident Margaret Kennard Johnson was first introduced to Japanese printmaking when she lived in Japan for eight and a half years.

A regular in the CWAJ annual show that attracts viewers and collectors from across the nation and from abroad, Ms. Johnson is the co-author of Japanese Prints Today: Tradition With Innovation. She taught at the Museum of Modern Art in New York and studied under Josef Albers at Black Mountain College in North Carolina.

Describing her tenure in Japan as a time of re-awakening, Ms. Johnson recalls the experience as "seeing through the eyes of a child."

There, she absorbed the Eastern aesthetic of simplicity that she incorporates into much of her work, which is also informed by organic processes and by the materials she uses.

"Materials and processes inspire and guide my work," she said. "They provide the means for forming imagery and composition and vitalize and characterize my visual expressions, whether with handmade paper, intaglio/relief printmaking, or other mediums."

Ms. Johnson's mesh relief print "Drawing Together," on view in Princeton, is among those to be exhibited in the Library of Congress.

The exhibition features 16 of her intaglio and handmade paper works in the range of $75 to $1,100.

Also a veteran of the CWAJ print show of established and emerging artists from across Japan, Yoshikatsu Tamekane is known for his technical prowess combined with a unique mystical aesthetic and vision. Essentially a woodblock printer, Mr. Tamekane adds texture to his images by applying materials such as string, resin, and paper to the block in order to add relief to the surface of a print.

"I savor the past and also look forward to the future as a time of hope and advancement for the human spirit," said Mr. Tamekane, who also incorporates gold and silver leaf into many of his pieces.

Mr. Tamekane's prints are iconic expressions of the passage of time, travel, special relationships, and the "miracle of life," combining landscapes, geometry, organic forms, color, and texture.

His 2006 work "A Winter Memory" is part of the permanent collection of the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, Delray Beach, Florida.

This exhibition includes 22 of his woodblocks for sale in the range of $150 to $1,450.

Lithographs and Mezzotints

Arriving at printmaking from his work as a graphic designer, Susumu Endo blends photographic and computer processes to create a surrealistic image that mixes abstraction with the natural landscape.

He uses the computer to manipulate his photographs and drawings, which are then produced as lithographs.

"I'm eager to take advantage of the latest technology and media for creation," said Mr. Endo whose images have appeared commercially as well as in museum collections in Europe, the United States and Japan.

His work evokes a meditative quality akin to the atmosphere of the traditional Japanese tea ceremony that he reports as a "vital part of his life."

Seven works by Mr. Endo are on show. They range in price from $275 to $800.

"Japanese Printmaking Today: A New Perspective," includes mezzotints by award-winning artist Katsunori Hamanishi that are also a combination of nature and abstraction.

Mr. Hamanishi studied in Japan as well as at the University of Pennsylvania and his work is in the permanent collections of the Metropolitan Museum and MOMA in New York; the Art Institute, Chicago; the Library of Congress, DC; Taipei Fine Arts National Museum; Krakow National Museum; Osaka National Museum of Art; among others.

While using traditional Japanese symbols and images, Mr. Hamanishi's subjects are treated with a contemporary hand. He is one of a few contemporary artist with the patience to rock a plate with a mezzotint rocker long enough to produce the velvety black impression so characteristic of the best work.

"Patience is necessary to produce the jet-black texture peculiar to mezzotint; the foundation of infinite tones from black to white," he said.

The exhibition includes 14 matted and unmated mezzotints by Mr. Hamanishi, ranging from $275 to $1,100.

In addition to those on view in the exhibition, other works by the artists are available for sale.

—Linda Arntzenius

SUNRISE: This 2003 mezzotint print by Japanese artist Katusnori Hamanishi is part of the exhibition "Japanese Printmaking Today, A New Perspective," on view in the Suzanne Paterson Center. The exhibition features four artists whose work will be part of the annual juried exhibition by The College Women's Association of Japan (CWAJ) at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. next March. The prints on view are for sale, and a portion of each sale benefits the Princeton Senior Resource Center.

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Events

Gallery Talk

Minimalist Excess: Works from the 1960s and 1970s
Diana Tuite, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Art and Archaeology
November 10, 12:30 p.m. and
November 12, 3:00 p.m.

After Hours at the Art Museum

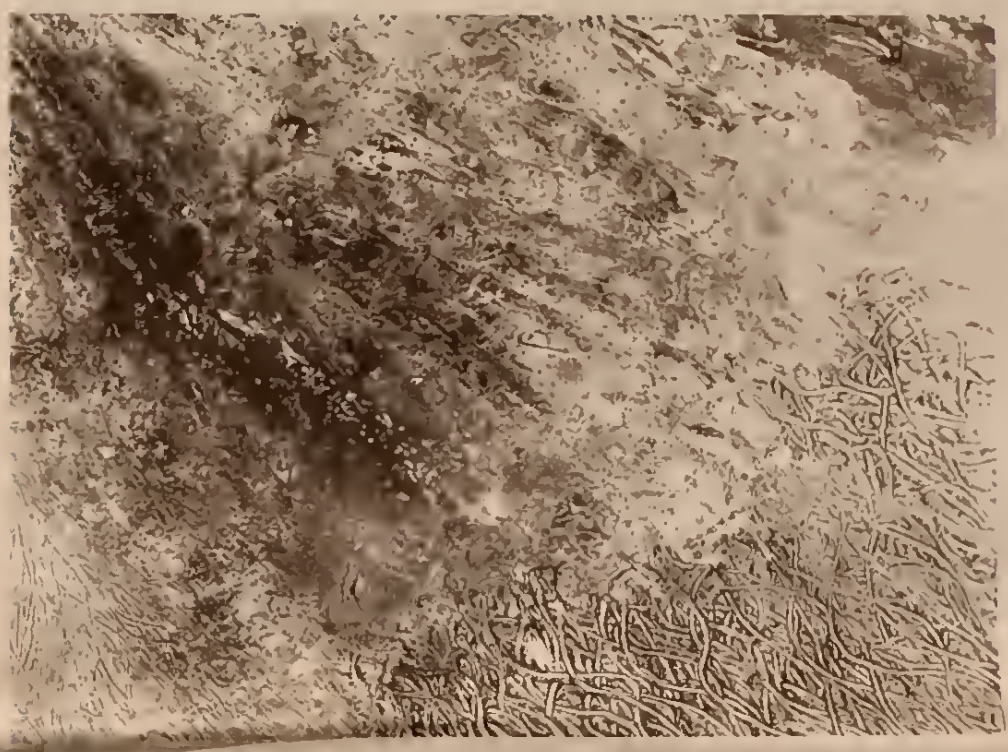
Meiji Eyes: An After-Hours Event
An evening of Asian fusion food, refreshments, music, and tours of the special exhibition *Japanese Views of East and West: Imprinting the Other in Meiji Eyes.*
November 10, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Art for Families (tickets required)

***A Nomad's Picnic**
Nancy Greenspan, museum docent
November 11, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

*Tickets are available in the museum shop. Admission is $5 per child and free for Friends of the Princeton University Art Museum.

KIOSK MONTAGE: This photograph by Walter Frank is from "Missing Dog": A Photographic Celebration of Our Community Kiosks, which will be exhibited in the Reading Room at the Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center, located in the Princeton Shopping Center. The exhibit will run through December 22.



"BEAUTY": This acrylic on aluminum is from "Aesthetic Aluminum," an exhibit of works by New Jersey artist Jean Johnson that will run through November 27 at Johnson & Johnson's World Headquarters Gallery at One Johnson & Johnson Plaza in New Brunswick. The gallery is open by appontment only. For more information, call (732) 524-6957.

HUMMEL'S NASSAU INN: Robrt Hummel's depiction of a Princeton landmark can be seen in "NJ Towns in Cartoon" throughout the month of November at Orphas Coffee Shop in Skillman, across 206 from the Montgomery Shopping Center.

Ellarslie Hosting Exhibit Of Pitak-Davis, Johnson

The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park will join with the Trenton Museum Society in presenting an exhibit of work by Carmen Johnson and Susanne Pitak-Davis from November 11 through January 7, 2007. An Opening Reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, November 11.

An Artist Gallery Walk and Talk ("An Evening with Carmen and Susanne") will take place on Thursday, November 16, at 7 p.m.

Bordentown resident Ms. Johnson and Lambertville resident Ms. Pitak-Davbis have exhibited and won awards in several Ellarslie Opens and numerous other local and regional venues including Artworks Gallery, Gallery 125, Gallery on Lafayette, ETS, Pralisville Mill Arts Bridge Juried Show, and the New Hope Arts Commission.

Ellarsile is open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, contact Museum Director Brian Hill at (609) 989-3632 or visit the museum at www.eliarslie.org.

Montgomery Arts Center Hosts Crafts Show, Sale

The Montgomery Center for the Arts will hold its Annual Craft Show and Sale from November 11 through November 19. The show will feature the work of 14 craftspeople in media, ranging from ceramics and wood to textiles and paper. Diversity of form and media has long been a hallmark of this show which has been widely acclaimed as one of the most distinctive in the area. There will be a wide variety of crafts on display and several craftspeople featuring work not previously seen here.

Featured exhibitors are Clem Fiori (wood), Don Gonzalez (glass), Kerr Grabowski (silk scarves and clothing), Caroline Hicks-Ellwood (woven scarves), Naomi Lindenfeld (ceramics), Amineh Mahallati (pillows and textiles), Bruce McCreedy (wood), Karen Orsillo (jewellery), Lauren Pollaro (jewellery), Ivar Raphael (wood), Helen Schwartz (baskets), Judy Tobie (paper), Piroska Toth (feltwork), and Ann Tsubota (ceramics). All items on display are for sale.

An opening reception, which is open to the public, will be held on Saturday, November 11 between 1 and 4p.m. Regular gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sundays 1 to 4p.m. The gallery is closed on Mondays.

The Montgomery Center for the Arts is located at the 1860 House on Montgomery Avenue in Skillman. Take Route 206 North and one-half mile past the intersection with Route 518 turn right onto Montgomery Avenue. The 1860 House is approximately one mile on the left.

For additional information, contact Mary Elliott at the Montgomery Center for the Arts, (609) 921-3272.

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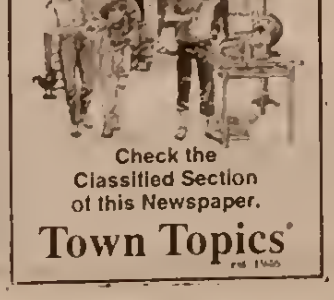
"THE OLIVE BRANCH": Stacie Speer Scott's mixed media on canvas and paper will be on view in a joint exhibit with Taylor Oughton, "NOW Is what IS," at The Artists' Gallery, 32 Coryell Street, in Lambertville. The exhibit opens with a reception between 6 and 9 p.m. on November 11 and will continue through December 10. The gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11a.m. to 6 p.m. or by appointment.



ARTIST, BOOK, AND ART: Painter and author Al Lachman will be the subject of an exhibit titled "Pastels & Oils of Bucks County" and a book signing at the Lachman Gallery in New Hope, Pa. opening on Saturday, November 11 and running through December 17. The public can meet the artist on November 11 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on November 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

THE PRIMARY COLORS, AND THEN SOME: Red Green Blue, the craft studio and gallery on Hulfish Street, celebrated its one-year anniversary with the opening of its new art gallery, which will feature monthly exhibits by children in Princeton area schools. Of course, some adults got in on the action at Friday's opening as Princeton Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand, left, and Borough Mayor Mildred Trotman got involved in the creative process. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

1860 House Fund-Raiser Features Carpets, Coffee

Montgomery Center For The Arts (MCA) at 1860 House will be holding "An Evening With . . .The Art of Coffee and Carpets" on Friday evening, November 10, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., in the Library Room of 1860 House, 124 Montgomery Road in Skillman. On hand will be David Waldman, Master Roaster of Rojo's Roastery in Lambertville, and Arturo Pasha of Pasha Rugs, in Lambertville. Desserts will be served.

The event will feature "some of the finest fairly traded and certified organic estate grown coffee beans in the world, produced by small independent microlot growers," according to Margie Aretz, President of MCA's Board of Directors.

The evening will begin with Mr. Waldman discussing the roasting process and offering a tasting of several varieties of his estate grown beans, all of which will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the evening. Various blends will be offered, including Panama Lerida Estate, Guatemala Huehuetenango Asobagri Cooperative (Organic & Fair Trade), and Kenya AA Kinoro (Auction Lot 712) microlot.

Surrounded by Tulu, Pray and Sumak rugs, Mr. Pasha will present the culture of Persian and Turkish rugs while participants touch, sit on, and view the rugs. He will also speak at length about the different weaves, the countries of origin (including Azerbaijan, Turkey and Turkmenistan), the colors used by different cultures, and the symbolism of the different designs. Saddle bags, dowry bags and floor pillows from these countries will be on view. In addition to the various coffees, there will be Turkish music, Baklava, and a confection known as Turkish Delight. All rugs and coffee beans will be offered for sale at the conclusion of the evening.

Montgomery Center for the Arts is a non-profit organization serving the Greater Montgomery community for the past 10 years. Housed in the 1860 House on Montgomery Road in Skillman, the Center runs a Summer Art Enrichment Camp for children and year long classes in the arts for children and adults. In addition, MCA has a resident artist program and 12 exhibitions each year.

The cost of the event is $30 per person for members and $35 per person for non-members. Space is limited; to reserve your seats, call The Montgomery Center of the Arts at (609) 921-3272.

New Hope Gallery Exhibits Pastels, Oils

A fifth annual special exhibition titled "Pastels & Oils of Bucks County" and a book signing by artist Al Lachman will open Saturday, November 11 at the Lachman Gallery in New Hope, Pa. The evening will begin at 5:30 with a 15-minute dissertation by Mr. Lachman on his 50 years of painting followed by a signing of his first published book, *Expressions*.

Gallery director Arlene Lachman, Al's wife and partner, said that the 25 new paintings created for the show she will be hanging will include landscapes, structures, and florals. "We are so looking forward to mounting this exhibit in our own gallery, especially since this year took us on the road with Al doing shows and teaching workshops in Kansas City, Chicago, Cape Cod, Alexandria, Greenwich, Bethesda and several cities in Florida. Al also recently completed his book of drawings, paintings, and thoughts, an idea born while he was in his twenties. The book came to fruition this year after devoting an intense 18 months to the project. Hanging the show will be like taking a deep breath for us."

This year one of Mr. Lachman's paintings, "A Moment of Magic," was featured on the August cover of The Pastel Journal together with a feature article in the national bimonthly magazine devoted solely to pastels.

Patrons are invited to meet the artist during gallery hours on November 11 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on November 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.. With the show continuing through December 17, the limited edition signed and numbered books will still be available for purchase. Lachman Gallery is located at 39 North Main Street in New Hope, Pa. and is open Thursday through Monday. Call (215) 862-6620 for more information.

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AREA EXHIBITS

The Artists' Gallery in Lambertville is presenting "NOW is what IS," an exhibit featuring Taylor Oughton and Stacie Speer Scott that will open with a reception on November 11 between 6 and 9 p.m. and run through December 10. Located at 32 Coryell Street, the gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11a.m. to 6 p.m. or by appointment.

The Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center, located in the Princeton Shopping Center, is presenting "Missing Dog": A Photographic Celebration of Our Community Kiosks by Walter Frank, which will be on display in the Reading Room through December 22. The Latin American Folk Art exhibition, selections from the collection of Lucy Mackenzie, will be on display through November 22.

The Coryell Gallery at the Porkyard, 8 Coryell Street, in Lambertville, will be presenting the annual fall exhibition featuring the work of Michael Budden and Lucy Graves McVicker, through November 12.

The Gallery at Chapin is hosting "Town and Country," the watercolors of Charles McVicker, through December 15.

Gallery 125 is presenting "Small Works," a 26-artist exhibit that will run from November 10 through December 16, with an opening reception on Friday, November 10 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street, in Hopewell, is presenting Marilyn Canning's "Of Gardens and Guardians: The Vizcaya Project" and Ed Greenblat's "Costa Rica: People, Places and Just One Monkey" through November 12.

Gratz Gallery at 30 West Bridge Street in New Hope is exhibiting "Peter Cook: A Journey in Light," which continues through November 26.

Grounds for Sculpture will be hosting three exhibitions of contemporary sculpture through April 29, 2007. Manuel Neri's exhibition "Figure in Relief" will be on view in the Museum Building. Steven Siegel's "Wonderlul Life" and the International Sculpture Center's 2006 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Awards will be exhibited in the Domestic Arts Building.Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Grounds for Sculpture is located at 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton.

The Hopewell Frame Shop Gallery will be exhibiting work by watercolor artist Beatrice Bork from Saturday, November 11 through December 23.

Howard Gallery of Fine Art & Framing in New Hope, Pa. is exhibiting "Enter the Landscape," new work by Dot Bunn, through November 30.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is presenting "Poetry in Design: The Art of Harry Leith-Ross," which ran at the James A. Michener Art Museum in New Hope earlier this year; it will run through March 4, 2007. "Duane Hanson: Real Lile," will be on view through January 14. The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

"Form Radiating Life: The Paintings of Charles Rosen" will be on view in the **Carol & Louis Della Penna Gallery at the Michener Museum** at 500 Union Square Drive in New Hope through January 28.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick is hosting "Word and Image: Visual Experiments of Soviet Nonconformist Artists, 1960s-80s" in the DuBrow Gallery through March 25, 2007. Also on view through March 25, in the Russian Special Exhibition Gallery: "Word and Image: Visual Experiments of Russian Artists, 1910s-30s. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. For more information, call (732) 932-7237, ext. 610, or visit www.zimmerlimuseum.rutgers.edu.

Johnson & Johnson's World Headquarters Gallery at One Johnson & Johnson Plaza in New Brunswick is hosting an exhibit ol works by Jean Johnson that will run through November 27. The gallery is open by appontment only. For more information, call (732) 524-6957.

Lachman Gallery, 39 North Main Street in New Hope, Pa. will be showing "Fresh Paint," pastels and oils of Bucks County hy Al Lachman from November 11 through December 17. The opening preview and reception will be held on Saturday, November 11, lrom 5:30 to 9 p.m. Patrons are also invited to meet the artist during gallery hours on November 11, lrom 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on November 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. A number of signed and numbered limited editions of his book, *Expressions*, will be available for purchase.

Marguerite & James Hutchins Gallery, Gruss Center of the Visual Arts at Lawrenceville School, will be presenting Larry McKim's "Aerial Views" through December 12. There will be an opening reception on Friday, November 10, lrom 6:30 to 8 p.m. The gallery will be closed from November 19 to 27.

The Montgomery Arts Center will hold its Annual Craft Show and Sale from November 11 through November 19.

The Morpeth Gallery in Hopewell is presenting an exhibit ol the work of George Stave, which will run through November 11.

Morven Museum is hosting"Capturing the Spirit: Virginia Snedeker and the American Scene," its first exhibit of line art, which will run through November 26.

Orphas Coffee Shop in Skillman, across 206 lrom the Montgomery Shopping Center, is featuring the work of Robert Hummel throughout the month of November in a show entitled "NJ Towns in Cartoon." Local towns featured are Princeton, Cranbury, and Kingston.

Premiere Fine Arts Gallery at New Hope's Union Square is showing the current body of work of modern impressionist Griff Jones through November 21.

Present Day Club, 72 Stockton Street, is exhibiting the work of Heather Sturt Haaga. Titled "From Where I Sit: The Spaces in Our Lives," the show will be on view through December 1.

The Princeton University Art Museum is presenting "Pietro da Cortona's Saint Martina Refuses to Adore the Idols: A Painting in Context" & "Front & Center: Figure Drawings by Pietro da Cortona and His Contemporaries," through January 21, 2007. "Fin de Siècle" traces the evolution ol Modernism lrom the 1880s to the 1940s and will be on view through January 14 in two side-by-side exhibitions featuring more than 50 works on paper from the collections of the museum and the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections, Firestone Library. "Japanese Views of East and West: Imprinting the Other in Meiji Eyes," an exhibition of color woodblock prints focusing on the country's perceptions of other cultures lrom the 1860s to the beginning of the twentieth century, will he on view through January 7.

Rider University's Gallery will host "Home-Street-City," an exhibit ol cityscape paintings by New York artists John Dubrow and Mari Lyons through December 7. There will be a conference and panel discussion featuring poet Peter Campion, author Marshall Berman, and New Republic Art Critic Jed Perl at the exhibit lrom 4:30 to 6 p.m. on November 9.

The Roosevelt Arts Project at 30 Lake Drive in Roosevelt, N.J., is presenting "Jacob Landau: Visionary/Humanist," an exhibit featuring drawings, lithographs, woodcuts, and paintings by the artist. The opening reception from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 11, leatures a concert by David Brahinsky and Friends. The exhibit will continue through December 16, hy appointment. For further information, call (215) 368-2536.

Silva Gallery of Art at the Pennington School Is presenting "Mass Communication," works in clay by William Funk through Tuesday, November 14. The exhibition will conclude with a "closing party" on Friday, November 10 lrom 5 to 7 p.m.

The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park presenting an exhibit of work by Carmen Johnson and Susanne Pitak-Davis lrom November 11 through January 7, 2007. An Opening Reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, November 11.

The University Medical Center at Princeton is hosting an exhibit of watercolor paintings by Janet Wanoker, on view from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily through November 15.

Circus Workshop

There is still room available in the Arts Council's new circus workshop, "Circus: A Dance, Visual Art, and Storytelling Extravaganza!" To be held on Saturday, November 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the workshop is lor children ages Pre-K through Grade 2. Master storyteller Rebecca Keily and lormer Ringling Brothers dancer Michelle Marligilano, will luse together visual art, movement, and performance. Partlcipants will explore circus dancing, clowning, animal acts, tumbling, and sculpt a circus puppet made with lound objects and papers. Edible art, lound object puppetry and creative movement will also be explored.

The cost is $65 ($50 lor Arts Council members). To register visit www.artscouncilolprince ton.org or call (609) 924-8777.

"OH YEAH! BLOW THAT THING": This oil painting by Taylor Oughton will be on view in "NOW is what IS," an exhibit at The Artists' Gallery in Lambertville also featuring Stacie Speer Scott. The show will open with a reception on November 11 between 6 and 9 p.m. and close on Oecember 10. Located at 32 Coryell Street, the gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11a.m. to 6 p.m. or by appointment.

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MUSIC REVIEW

Westminster Conservatory Orchestra Features Nationalism, Folk Music

The Westminster Conservatory Orchestra clearly likes women conductors. The last three conductors of the ensemble have been women, with the most recent appointment being Ruth Ochs, a cellist and Ph.D. candidate in musicology at Princeton University. Ms. Ochs has an expressed interest in folk music, which was quite apparent in her programming of Saturday night's concert of the Westminster Conservatory Orchestra in Richardson Auditorium. Almost all of the pieces performed had some connection with nationalism or folk music, and the orchestra was able to convey well a dynamic and vibrant sound through this eclectic choice of works.

With Ms. Ochs being a cellist, the biggest improvement this year in the ensemble has been in the lower string sections. The Sibelius tone poem, *Finlandia*, which opened the program, began with quick dynamic effects from the brass, and the brass achieved better tuning as the piece went along. Ms. Ochs has put her years working with Princeton University conductor Michael Pratt to good use tuning the Conservatory Orchestra, especially the wind sections. Although the oboe sound did not quite match the smoothness of the rest of the winds, this section consistently demonstrated clean musical effects. The political message conveyed in this music by Sibelius was not too subtle in this work, and Ms. Ochs stayed away from the overly-large effects of the late 19th century.

Ms. Ochs then turned to the music of Spain with Enrique Granados' operatic depiction of Madrid's artistic scene, *Goyescas*. The Intermezzo excerpt played from this opera presented a nicely unified cello sound. A duo of trumpets got off to a shaky start, but soon picked up an appropriate mariachi style. Several wind solos excelled, including bassoonist Greg Rewoldt and clarinetist Daniel Beerbohm.

The winds again excelled in Bartok's *Hungarian's Pictures*, most notably flutists Alexander Lissé and Judy Singleton, piccolo player Walter Iannacome and again Mr. Beerbohm. These dances are transcriptions of piano pieces, and some clearly worked better as piano works than in their transcribed versions. The fourth movement "Slightly Tipsy" was vintage Bartok in its rhythm and playfulness, and lives up to its "tipsy" name, thanks to the alternating lines well handled by the winds.

Besides serving as a performing outlet for area musicians, the Conservatory Orchestra provides solo concerto opportunities for young talented musicians. Nick Bleisch, home-schooled tenth grader studies academics through Stanford University's Distance Learning program and is tutored in Latin, French and Russian. When he is not studying, he is fencing, playing chess, re-enacting historical incidents, studying film or running track. Somehow, amidst all this activity, he has found time to learn to play a mean violin (as well as concerto-level piano), as demonstrated in his performance of the "Finale" from Bruch's Violin Concerto Number 1.

Bruch wrote his violin concerto for the 19th century violinist Joseph Joachim, who also collaborated with Brahms. Bruch's symphonic model was Mendelssohn, which was clear from the shimmering opening of the "Finale" (just as in Mendelssohn's *Italian Symphony*). Ms. Ochs led the orchestra through a nice crescendo leading to the soloist's entrance, and Mr. Bleisch demonstrated that he is a confident performer who kept his playing accurate and clean. All the notes of his runs were clean, and he well expressed the rich broad theme, keeping the piece moving forward with solid double-stops. A fiery finish brought the movement to a close.

> The next concert will be December 17 at Princeton High School Performing Arts Center. Featured will be music of Prokofiev, Ravel and Mendelssohn. For ticket information call (609) 921-2663.

Ms. Ochs closed the program with one of the shorter works of Shostakovich, who wrote works which were monumental, but also wrote some manageable symphonies. Symphony No. 6 in b minor emphasized the lower strings and a very large horn section. This was a large work for this orchestra to tackle, but the players worked well together. A subtle pair of trumpets, together with impressionistic flute playing from Mr. Lissé and a fine bass clarinet from Karen Pitts marked the long first movement. Concertmistress Ileana Ciumac had the chance for a fiery solo in the third movement "Presto," followed by a good orchestral speed-up to the end of the work.

The Westminster Conservatory Orchestra is likely equal part musical organization and social outlet for the players. Ms. Ochs expects a lot from her players, but these community musicians are more than happy to oblige.

—Nancy Plum

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WE'LL TAKE MANHATTAN: The Manhattan Piano Trio, one of the most active and successful chamber music groups in the country, will be the guest recitalists in the Nassau at Six concert series on Sunday, November 19 at 6 p.m. at Nassau Presbyterian Church. The program will feature pieces by Liszt, Tchaikovsky, Debussy, Piazzolla, and Shostakovich. During the past two years the trio has performed more than 150 concerts at venues throughout the country, including their debut performance at New York City's Alice Tully Hall. The musicians, from left, are violinist Dmitry Lukin, a Laureate of the Mravinsky International Music Competition in Russia and the Takasaki International Competition of Japan; pianist Milana Bahl, a winner of numerous piano competitions; and cellist Dmitry Kouzov, a winner of Russia's Virtuosi of the Year 2000 competition and the 2005 Juilliard Cello Concerto competition. A post-performance dinner with the trio, $5, will begin at 7 p.m. To reserve dinner and/or childcare, call the church office at (609) 924-0103 by noon on Wednesday, November 15.

Westminster Conservatory Faculty Recital This Friday

The Westminster Winds and Violanti Flutes from Westminster will present a recital this Friday, November 10 at 8 p.m. in Bristol Chapel at Westminster Choir College.

The program will include *Wind Quintet No. 3* by Giuseppe Maria Gioacchino Cambini, *Suite Pastorale* by Jean-Michel Damase, *Duet in G Major* by Wilhelm Friedemann Bach, *Six Bagatelles* for wind quintet by György Ligeti, *Grand Trio No. 3* by Friedrich Kuhlau, *Petit Divertissement* for three flutes by Jindrich Feld, and *Kleine Kammermusik für fünf Bläser* by Paul Hindemith.

The performers will be Melissa Bohl, oboe; Ellen Fisher Deerberg, flute; Kenneth Ellison, clarinet; Ivy Haga, bassoon; Drew Hays, saxophone; Katherine McClure, flute; Craig Levesque, horn; and Barbara Highton Williams, flute.

Ms. Bohl is the principal oboist with the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra and the Edison Symphony. She teaches oboe at the Lawrenceville School and is head of the wind department and a member of the master faculty at Westminster Conservatory.

Ms. Deerberg has performed principal flute with the Kennett Symphony Orchestra, Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra, and Delaware Children's Opera. She is also on the faculty of the Bryn Mawr Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Ellison, a candidate in the Doctor of Musical Arts program at Rutgers, teaches clarinet and saxophone at Westminster Conservatory. He has performed with the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra, the Riverside Sinfonia, and the Greenville Symphony, and is a member of the Princeton Symphony woodwind trio for the BRAVO! program.

Ms. Haga, a doctoral candidate at Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers, is a member of Tripleplay Winds and has performed with Artemis Chamber Ensemble, Red Bank Chamber Music Society, and BassMasters Bassoon Ensemble of Richmond, Va. She also teaches at the Lawrenceville School and the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey, and maintains a private studio.

Mr. Hays has performed with Lou Rawls, Bernadette Peters, and Al Martino, in addition to the Winston-Salem Symphony, New Century Saxophone Quartet, and the Roger Humphries Big Band. He has Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees in performance from Duquesne University, and is completing a doctorate at UNC-Greensboro.

Ms. McClure is a regular performer with the Riverside Symphonia, Edison Symphony, Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra, and Princeton Symphony. She has taught at the Conservatoire Alfred Loewengnth, Paris; the Mason Gross School of the Arts; Wagner College, Staten Island; and The Peddie School. She currently teaches flute at Westminster Conservatory and the Lawrenceville School, and maintains a private studio in Kingston.

Mr. Levesque, who holds a Master of Arts degree in music history and a Doctor of Philosophy in music theory and composition from Mason Gross School of the Arts, teaches horn and composition at Westminster. He is in demand as a composer and arranger, his works having been premiered and performed throughout the Northeast.

Ms. Williams, a former member of the San Jose Wind Symphony, has performed on both coasts of the United States and in France. A member of the flute faculty at Westminster Conservatory since 1998, she also maintains a private teaching studio in Princeton.

Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for students and seniors, and may be purchased by calling the Westminster box office between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at (609) 921-2663. They will also be sold at the door.

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In anticipation of the Thanksgiving holiday, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra will present three idyllic compositions by Beethoven, Mozart, and Wagner on Sunday, November 19 at 3 p.m. at New Brunswick's State Theatre. The concert will also be given on Friday, November 17 and Saturday, November 18 at NJPAC in Newark, both evenings at 8 p.m.

The program will include Beethoven's *Pastoral* Symphony, Mozart's *Concerto No. 4*, and excerpts from Wagner's *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg*. Korean violinist Hye-Jin Kim, under the baton of Gerard Schwarz, will take center stage for the Mozart concerto.

Beethoven's popular Sixth Symphony, or *Pastoral*, feels like a stroll through the countryside. In this 1808 work, the composer recreated soothing sounds of a trickling brook and peaceful singing of birds. He invites the listener to rejoice as a thunderstorm passes and light overcomes the darkness. Although the composer expresses his closeness to nature in several of his masterpieces, no work more clearly embodies that spirit. Beethoven called it "a matter more of feeling than of painting in sounds."

The Mozart violin concerto will follow. Written in 1775, it is performed in three movements, allegro, andante cantabile, and rondeau. Ms. Kim, a recent graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music, will play the cadenzas by Joseph Joachim. She has appeared as a soloist with Seoul City Philharmonic Orchestra, Russian Philharmonic Orchestra, Hanover Chamber Orchestra, Aspen Concert Orchestra, Curtis Chamber Orchestra, and Santa Fe Pro Musica Chamber Orchestra. She recently made her London debut in St. John's Smith Square with the BBC Concert Orchestra.

The evening will conclude with three excerpts from Act III of Wagner's *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg*. The opera is the only comedy that Wagner wrote during his mature period.

A Post-Concert Chat will take place immediately after the performance at the State Theatre, during which Maestro Schwarz will reflect on the afternoon's performance and answer questions from the audience.

A New Jersey native, Mr. Schwarz is currently a resident of Washington state and this year marks his 21st season as music director of the Seattle Symphony. His 100 recordings are with the Czech Philharmonic, London Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, Berlin Radio, Orchestre National de France, English Chamber Orchestra, Tokyo Philharmonic, Scottish Chamber Orchestra, L.A. Chamber Orchestra, and New York Chamber Symphony, among others.

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Dizzy Gillespie All-Stars To Perform at McCarter

The Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band, featuring some of today's foremost jazz musicians, will perform at McCarter Theatre on Wednesday, November 15 at 8 p.m. Under the direction of trombonist Slide Hampton, the band is devoted to recreating vintage arrangements written for the legendary Gillespie big bands of the 1940s and '50s.

The band will also perform at NJPAC in Newark on Saturday, November 25 at 8 p.m.

Comprising many musicians who have collaborated with Gillespie, The Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band continues to honor the master with national and international tours. The roster of participating musicians, which reads like a Who's Who of Jazz, includes superstar trumpeter

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Roy Hargrove, James Moody, Cyrus Chestnut, Jimmy Heath, Randy Brecker, Claudio Roditi, Antonio Hart, Steve Davis, Frank Wess, John Lee, and vocalist Roberta Gambarini, in addition to New Jersey's own Paquito D'Rivera.

Considered one of the most important trombonists of all time, Mr. Hampton worked frequently with Gillespie from 1963 to 1990, and was a founding member of the bandleader's United Nation Orchestra. He is equally renowned for his arranging skills.

A Grammy Award-winning trumpeter/composer, Mr. Hargrove has established a reputation as one of the most versatile and hardest working players in jazz. He has produced numerous albums as a leader or co-leader in bop and has appeared with such jazz greats as Wynton Marsalis, Freddie Hubbard, Dizzy Gillespie, Herbie Hancock, and Frank Morgan.

It is unlikely that any musician spent more time with Dizzy Gillespie than James Moody, who first appeared with Mr. Gillespie's big band in 1947 and continued to perform with him until 1992. Aside from being one of the premier saxophonists in jazz, his flute playing is legendary. He is world renowned for his masterpiece of jazz improvisation *Moody's Mood for Love*.

Jimmy Heath, long recognized as a brilliant instrumentalist and composer-arranger, has performed with nearly all of the jazz greats of the last 50 years, from Howard McGhee, Dizzy Gillespie, and Miles Davis to Wynton Marsalis.

Born in Havana, Paquito D'Rivera is regarded by many as the most creative Cuban jazz musician in exile and as one of the finest clarinetists in the world. He was a founding member of Dizzy's United Nation Orchestra, and received a Grammy award for best Latin Jazz CD in 1997 for his *Poquito's Portraits of Cuba*.

One of the great new voices on piano, Mr. Chestnut worked in the bands of Wynton Marsalis, Jon Hendricks, Betty Carter, and Terence Blanchard/Donald Harrison before launching his own solo career. He toured Japan with Mr. Gillespie in 1990, and has released four solo albums for Atlantic Jazz since 1994.

Tickets are $45 and $48, and may be ordered by calling the McCarter ticket office at (609) 258-2787 or by visiting www.mccarter.org.

A Day of Music and Fun Scheduled at MarketFair

West Windsor will celebrate a day of music, song, children's literature, and locally grown food when the West Windsor Arts Council presents "Fall Flavor of the Arts" on Saturday, November 18 at Barnes & Noble Booksellers in MarketFair.

This event is planned as a fund-raiser for the Arts Council. Barnes & Noble will donate up to 20 percent of the sale of books, music, magazines, café gift items, and other merchandise purchased that day to the West Windsor Arts Council, but purchasers must present a voucher at the cash register at the time of purchase. Vouchers will be distributed in advance to those requesting them and will be available at the cash registers on the day of the event. Purchasers who hold the bookseller's member cards will also be eligible for the discount while using the vouchers. To obtain vouchers, call (609) 919-1982 or visit www.westwindsorarts.org.

The schedule of events will be as follows:

11 a.m.: reading by Deborah Heiligman, an author of 19 books for children.

12:30 p.m.: West Windsor Farmers Market co-founder Beth Feehan will discuss sustainable agriculture and farms-to-school programs. Ms. Feehan is working with West Windsor-Plainsboro Schools to bring farm-fresh produce into lunchrooms, including apples from Terhune Orchards in Princeton.

2 p.m.: Back Porch Swing will play acoustic modern and traditional jazz, gypsy swing, blues, and rockabilly. Based in Princeton, the band includes Larry Frazer on mandolin and vocals, singer Sharyn Alice Murray, and Jeff Nathanson on guitar. Mr. Nathanson serves as executive director of the Arts Council of Princeton.

3 p.m.: Bob Mecklenburger will sing original and traditional folk songs. An active member and past president of the Princeton Folk Music Society, Mr. Mecklenburger has been performing with his acoustic 6- and 12-string guitars for more than 40 years.

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Poinsettia Sale Supporting PHS Choir Tour of Sweden

The Princeton High School Choir, planning a tour of Sweden this coming February, is sponsoring a holiday poinsettia sale to raise funds for the trip. The hand selected poinsettias will be supplied by Ace Greenhouses, a New Jersey nursery, in a variety of colors and sizes ranging from 4½" to 10". Orders are due today, November 8, and may be picked up on Friday, December 1 from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Princeton High School Choir Room.

The choir's holiday poinsettia sale fund-raiser will permit every member of the choir to participate in the trip. "We do not let the financial part of the tour dictate whether a student is able to travel," said choir director Dr. Charles Sundquist.

The choir will perform in three Swedish cities — Stockholm, Vaxjo and Uppsala — and have the opportunity to tour in each. The PHS students will sing with the choir at the Adolf Fredriks Music School in Stockholm, perform at the Cathedral in Vaxjo, and give a concert in Uppsala with the choir from Katedralskola, one of the oldest secondary schools in Sweden.

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Eastern Wind Symphony Schedules TCNJ Concert

The Eastern Wind Symphony, a Trenton area ensemble performing since 1996, will present a *Songs of the Season* concert at The College of New Jersey Concert Hall on Sunday, December 10 at 4 p.m. Dr. William Silvester will direct.

The program will include selections from the Orchestra's *Symphonic Seoson* CD, pieces for a brass ensemble, and *Sleigh Ride*.

The Symphony, a not-for-profit organization, draws members from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland. Most members of the ensemble are freelance performers and music educators, but the ensemble also includes many who work in the fields of business and science.

In addition to its concert performances, the Symphony has produced several CDs on the Klavier label. Reviewing the recording *Symphonic Colloge*, BandWorld Magazine wrote, "there is something for every musical taste on this excellent recording. *Rhopsody in Blue* never sounded this good, especially in this edition by Donald Hunsberger; [and] a fine performance of *Symphonic Concert Morch* gets this magnificent recording off to a solid start."

The Eastern Wind Symphony may also be heard on radio broadcasts worldwide via German, Austrian, and Japanese radio plus classical and PBS stations in the U.S.

Admission will be $7 for adults, $5 for seniors and students, with family tickets $20. They may be purchased at the door or reserved by calling (732) 422-7574.

For more information or to hear selected performances, visit www.easternwindsymphony.org.

Frank Vignola

Stephane Grappelli Tribute Planned at Hopewell Bistro

On Saturday, November 11 at 8 p.m., the Hopewell Valley Bistro will pay tribute to the jazz violinist Stephane Grappelli and gypsy guitar virtuoso Django Reinhardt with a trio comprising violinist Aaron Weinstein, guitarist Frank Vignola, and bassist Gary Mazzaroppi. For the event, the restaurant will offer a $45 prix fixe menu that includes the show, with community seating for parties of fewer than six.

In the early 1930s, Messrs. Grappelli and Reinhardt founded the Quintette du Hot Club de France, an all-acoustic string jazz group that performed its own special style of swing music.

Mr. Weinstein, 20, is currently attending the Berklee College of Music in Boston. In 2002, his group, The Stephane Grappelli Tribute Trio, was voted by Downbeat Magazine as the nation's best high school instrumental jazz group. He has won numerous competitions and is the youngest winner of the Illinois State Fiddle Championship. He has been a featured soloist at Iridium and Birdland in New York City, and at the Atlantic Mutual Jazz Festival in Chatham, N.J. He has also performed with such jazz masters as Bucky Pizzarelli, Jay Leonhardt, Les Paul, Joe Asclone, Johnny Frigo, John Pizzarelli, Brian Torff, and Claude "Fiddler" Williams. His current CD is entitled *A Hondful of Stors*.

Mr. Vignola is already a guitar legend in the world of jazz. Les Paul's right-hand man for five years, he has also performed with Mark O'Connor, Wynton Marsalis, and Jane Monheit. He has recorded 15 CD's as a leader and more than 100 as a sideman, and written 18 books for Mel Bay publishing. He currently tours with The Frank and Joe Show and the Acoustic Gypsy Jam Band.

Mr. Mazzaroppi has been a sideman for a virtual Who's Who of jazz. A graduate of the Berklee School of Music, he has performed with the Lionel Hampton Big Band as well as such jazz greats as Red Norvo, Herb Ellis, Stan Getz, Joe Morello, Buddy Rich, Jim Hall, Barney Kessel, Clark Terry, Charlie Byrd, Red Rodney, Les Paul, and Teddy Wilson. He is currently collaborating with Mr. Vignola and Jamie Masefield in the group MaMaVig.

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Fab Faux, Neo-Beatles, To Play State Theatre

The New York-based Fab Faux, called "the greatest Beatles cover band" by Rolling Stone magazine, will visit New Brunswick's State Theatre on Thanksgiving weekend, Saturday, November 25 for two shows at 4 and 8 p.m. Tickets range from $25 to $100.

The show promises to entertain Beatlemaniacs and music lovers alike with Beatles songs reproduced to capture the genius of the original songwriting and recordings.

The Fab Faux began when Jimmy Vivino, guitarist for Conan O'Brien's house band, convinced Will Lee, bassist for David Letterman's band, that virtuosic reproductions of Beatles songs, including rarely covered studio songs, were not only novel but also necessary to keep the music alive. Messrs. Vivino and Lee recruited guitarist Frank Agnello, drummer Rich Pagano, and guitarist Jack Petruzzelli. All five of the quintet's members sing and harmonize, a necessity for covering the complex arrangements pioneered by The Beatles in later years that were never performed live. The group avoids early Beatles' hits like *She Loves You* or *I Saw Her Standing There*.

"We've taken our collective 'chops,' built over years as professional musicians, and focused them on this music we all love and have been influenced by," said Mr. Lee. "We're looking forward to the set we've planned for the State Theatre, and because it's Thanksgiving weekend, we hope original fans of The Beatles will bring the whole family along."

The singers will be joined by the six-piece ensemble, Hogshead Horns and Crème Tangerine Stings.

Mr. Vivino and Mr. Petruzzelli are both from New Jersey; Petruzzelli was raised in East Brunswick, Vivino in North Jersey.

To order tickets, call (732) 246-7469 or visit www.statetheatrenj.org. For more information on The Fab Faux, visit www.halojenproductions.com.

"Chevalier: Maurice & Me" At Peddie This Sunday

The Community Arts Partnership at the Peddie School (CAPPS) will continue its 2006-07 Light Sundays Series this Sunday, November 12 with *Chevalier: Mourice & Me*, starring Tony Sandler, at 2 p.m. in Peddie's William Mount-Burke Theater.

A biography of sorts, the show follows Maurice Chevalier on a roller coaster ride that transforms a savvy street urchin into an international legend adored by royalty and commoner alike. Driven by the responsibility he felt to cheer up a public torn by one world war and then another, Chevalier carried out his mission with hope and joie de vivre. Mr. Sandler's tribute, *Mourice & Me*, traces the singer's odyssey of survival, courage, and love.

Tony Sandler's fame came early in Europe. The entertainer and recording artist rose to stardom on stage, television, and screen prior to his 1963 debut in the United States. He has entertained audiences on several continents including 20 successful years with the duo Sandler and Young. A frequent guest on TV shows with Ed Sullivan, Dean Martin, Merv Griffin, and Johnny Carson, he has also appeared at the Tropicana and Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas and the Kraft Music Hall in London.

Tickets are $16 and may be purchased by calling (609) 490-7550.

For more information about CAPPS, visit www.peddie.org/capps.

Improvisation on Display At Saturday Jazz Concert

Princeton University Concerts will present its annual Composing in the Moment concert, an evening of jazz performed by Princeton's teachers of jazz, this Saturday, November 11 at 8 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium.

Under the direction of Ralph Bowen, guest director and saxophone, the ensemble will include Bruce Arnold, guitar; John Arrucci, drums; Michael Cochrane, piano; and Brian Glassman, bass.

The program will include compositions by each of the members of the ensemble, as well as *The Holy Innocent (For Kassondro)* by Anthony D.J. Branker, director of the jazz program at Princeton.

Mr. Bowen made his mark on the New York jazz scene in the mid-1980s as co-leader of OTB-Out of the Blue on four records for Bluenote. Born in Canada, he led his own quartet at the age of 13. At Rutgers University, he is currently coordinator of the Jazz Department, director of the Jazz Ensemble, and professor of saxophone and music theory.

Tickets are $26, $23, and $17, with students $10 and $5, and are available through the Richardson Auditorium and Frist Student Center box offices. They may also be reserved by calling (609) 258-5000.

CHAMBER VIRTUOSOS: The Brentano String Quartet — from left, Mark Steinberg, violin; Serena Canin, violin; Misha Amory, viola; and Nina Lee, cello — will be joined by the celebrated pianist Mitsuko Uchida in a collaborative recital on Tuesday, November 7 at 8 p.m. at Richardson Auditorium. The program will include works by Mozart, Bartók, and Schumann. A leading interpreter of Mozart, Ms. Uchida appears regularly with the Chicago, New York Philharmonic, and London Symphony Orchestras. Her 2001 recording of the Schoenberg Piano Concerto with the Cleveland Orchestra won four awards including a Gramophone Award for the best concerto recording. The Chicago Tribune has called her "an elegant, deeply musical interpreter who strikes an inspired balance of head and heart in everything she plays." The Brentano String Quartet became Princeton University's first quartet in residence in 1999 and filled the same role at N.Y.U. from 1995 to 2003. It has appeared with Ms. Uchida often, at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, the Library of Congress, Lincoln Center, and in major cities in Europe and Japan. Tickets are $42, from the McCarter box office at (609) 258-2787, or online at www.mccarter.org.

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Songs of Innocence and Experience: A Centennial Celebration

Janet Gaynor was born in Philadelphia on October 6, 1906. A month and a week later on November 14, Louise Brooks was born in Cherryvale, Kansas. Both actresses came into their own in the waning years of the silent cinema — Louise as Lulu, the seductress whose warmth and beauty disarm and almost vanquish Jack the Ripper in G.W. Pabst's *Pandora's Box* (1928), and Janet as Diane, the radiant embodiment of romance in Frank Borzage's *7th Heaven* (1927). While *Pandora's Box* has been at least relatively accessible thanks to the revival of interest in Louise Brooks (a Criterion DVD is due out later this month), not so *7th Heaven* (although a DVD is said to be in the works in England). When Janet Gaynor died in 1984, she received the sort of respectful but unspectacular recognition to be expected for a star who opted out of Hollywood in mid-career and had not had a memorable role since *A Star is Born* in 1937. Even in 1984, few people who read her obituary had seen the luminous being American audiences fell in love with in the late 1920s when the theme music for the film became one of the era's most popular ballads ("I'm in heaven when I see you smile/Smile for me, my Diane").

When Louise Brooks died a year later, the obituaries responded as if her star had just ascended, and so it had; after 35 years in obscurity, she had been discovered both as an author and as an actress whose defining performance had come to be considered one of the landmarks of world cinema. People who saw her in *Pandora's Box* finally understood what important film critics like Lotte Eisner and Ado Kyrou had been raving about. Eisner celebrated "the miracle of Louise Brooks" while calling her "an actress who needed no directing, but could move across the screen causing the work of art to be born by her mere presence." To Kyrou she was "the only woman who had the ability to transfigure no matter what film into a masterpiece." The second phase of the discovery came about when, after falling in love with her on screen, people like film archivist James Card and critic Kenneth Tynan sought out the aging and all but forgotten beauty, only to find themselves falling in love all over again with a spirited, outspoken, intelligent woman who could write stylishly and insightfully about life in and out of the movie business. Rediscovered as a performer and a person, she went on to remake herself through her writing. It's hard to imagine a more powerful rebuke to Scott Fitzgerald's claim that "there are no second acts in American lives." With Louise Brooks, there was a second, third, fourth, and fifth act. The second act was her adventure in Germany and *Pandoro's Box*. The dismal third and fourth acts (dance teacher in Wichita, Kansas/Third Avenue barfly/failed sales girl at Saks) only contributed to the triumphant Act Five.

Experiencing Louise

According to Louise Brooks's own account of the filming of *Pandora's Box*, Marlene Dietrich was about to be signed for the part of Lulu when director G.W. Pabst received a cable saying that his first choice, was no longer under contract to Paramount and so was free to play Lulu. To appreciate the special quality Brooks brings to the role you only have to imagine how Dietrich would have played it. As alluring and delightful as she is in the American films that made her a star, her eroticism is one-dimensional compared to the irresistible mixture of innocence and experience communicated by the Kansas girl who had lived the Jazz Age to the fullest. Thanks partly to the way she was manipulated by Josef von Sternberg, Dietrich was camping it up long before camp was a gleam in Susan Sontag's eye. Put her in proximity to innocence and the result is ludicrous (for example, her scenes as young Catherine romping in the hay in *The Scarlet Empress*). Even though Pabst knew better ("Dietrich was too old and too obvious — one sexy look and the picture would become a burlesque"), he'd been ready to sign her when the cable from America arrived. His German cast thought he'd lost his mind and they made sure the American interloper knew it; they "thought I had cast some blinding spell over Mr. Pabst." In fact, this was true, for the only time he'd seen her on film was in a small role in Howard Hawks's *A Girl in Every Port*. To understand what happened to Pabst all you have to do is see that film, in which she plummets off a carnival high-dive wrapped in a skintight body suit, her trademark helmet of black hair tucked under a sequined cap.

As usual, she gets the point across in her own words: "How Pabst determined that I was his unaffected Lulu with the childish simpleness of vice was part of the mysterious alliance that seemed to exist between us even before we met." Unlike von Sternberg with Dietrich, Pabst let Louise be Louise. The key words are unaffected and childish simpleness. As Lulu, she is simultaneously sexy and girlish, dark and light, sinister and sweet, brilliant and naive. Imagine how it was for her, escaping from a Hollywood studio system she detested into a role that any female star in any era would have give anything to play (Janet Gaynor, Mary Pickford and Shirley Temple excepted), and finding herself in the Walpurgisnacht of between-the-wars Berlin, a milieu so decadent it made her own rich experience of decadence seem positively adolescent. What was still shocking to some people watching revivals of the film decades later was that, as she puts it, she played Lulu "with no sense of sin."

The charismatic blending of innocence and experience that she brings to *Pandora's Box* is probably most purely captivating in the backstage sequence at the Revue Theatre when Lulu is capering around like a human glowworm with translucent wings, wholly unselfconscious, as punchy as a child up past its bedtime. Clapping her hands in childish delight in one scene, she's turning fathers against sons and driving grown men to suicide in the next. She's at once ephemeral and sensual, able to move as light as light, and there are moments when she seems to be the fluid essence of film come to life; you can see it in the slope of her shoulders, the spontaneity of her smile, the way stars seem to shine in her eyes. Even when she's seemingly down and out in London, living in a sordid garrett surrounded by sin, poverty, and corruption, that quality of playful innocence shines through, and never more so than in her final and most romantic encounter as Lulu, a streetwalker in London, a shawl wrapped around her shoulders, looking, if anything, even more sweet and girlish than she did in Berlin, gathering in Jack the Ripper, luring him up to her room, lighting a candle, her face so gay and sweet and sympathetic in its light that even the killer is smitten, ready, it seems, to share an intimate moment as she holds a sprig of mistletoe over his head. It appears to be a love scene, and so it is, until his eyes catch the flashing blade of the bread knife on the table. Disabled by her allure, he'd dropped his own weapon on his way up the stairs. But the flashing fascinates him, returns him to his mission, and he picks up the knife. When Lulu dies in his embrace, it seems more an act of filmmaking than an act of murder.

LOUISE BROOKS AS LULU: Criterion chose this uncharacteristically grim image of the widowed Lulu for their Special Edition 2-disc DVD of Pandora's Box ($39.95), which should be available for rental at the Princeton Public Library later this month. Features include a restored transfer ot the definitive Munich Film Museum restoration; four musical scores; audio commentary by, and video interviews with, various film scholars; a rare 1971 interview with the star; and a booklet that includes Kenneth Tynan's New Yorker essay "The Girl in the Black Helmet," as well as the article by Louise Brooks I've quoted from here.

All Innocence

If Louise Brooks's innocence was the most alluring part of her fatal charm, Janet Gaynor's innocence is all-encompassing. Louise is fascinating. Janet is endearing. You fall in love with Janet's Diane, as audiences all over the world did, male and female. She and Charles Farrell, her co-star in the part of Chico, were "America's Sweethearts." While Louise was turning her back on Hollywood and going to Germany to star in the movie that rescued her for cinematic immortality, Janet was enjoying success at the highest level, winner of the first Best Actress Oscar at the age of 22 (one of the three youngest winners ever) for F.W. Murnau's *Sunrise*, and *7th Heaven* and *Street Angel*, the last two directed by Frank Borzage, who won the first Oscar for directing. By 1934 Janet was the most popular female star in America. By 1934, with Pabst six years behind her, Louise was going nowhere, playing minor roles in a few sound films, the last a 1938 western with John Wayne called *Overland Stage Raiders*.

It's much easier to give an impression of Louise's magnetism than it is to describe Janet's. To portray her as some sort of saintly creature would be misleading. Her love scenes with Chico in their Parisian garrett are as passionate as they are romantic. The French surrealists found the intensity of lovemaking in *7th Heaven* fascinating, and labeled it l'amour fou. Chances are that contemporary audiences uncomfortable with silent movies would laugh at the image of the rangy Farrell lifting the petite Gaynor in his arms. They might also laugh at the melodrama of the evil sister and the death-defying happy ending. But Janet Gaynor's charm would come through regardless. The word used over and over again to describe her appeal (and Borzage's) is "natural." And while silent movies require a serious adjustment in one's expectations, the absence of sound is not a defect but a virtue when the subject is romance. That "natural" quality would be threatened the instant audiences heard the actors actually speaking of love since Charles Farrell's voice was high and reedy and Janet Gaynor's was weak, though she eventually learned to make the most of it.

The Princeton Public Library expects to have the Criterion edition of *Pondoro's Box* on the DVD rental shelves later this month. You can also experience Louise Brooks in Augusto Genina's *Prix de Beoute* (1930), which the library has on DVD. The library also has copies of her book *Lulu in Hollywood*, as well as the excellent Barry Paris biography. Also later this month, Rizzoli is releasing Peter Cowie's pictorial book, *Louise Brooks: Lulu Forever*, to coincide with her birthday

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Literary Themes to Mark Baroque Group's Concerts

Le Triomphe de l'Amour, New Jersey's chamber ensemble performing music of the Baroque on period instruments, will present the first of its three concerts this season on Saturday, November 18 at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian Church of Princeton. All of the trio's concerts this season will have literary themes, with the first being "Shakespeare and the Literary Tradition in 18th Century British Music."

Members of the ensemble — Laura Helmes, soprano; Donna Fournier, viola da gamba; and Janet Palumbo, harpsichord — will be joined for the November 18 concert by baroque violinists Amelia Roosevelt and Dongmyung Ahn, and by John Burkhalter, recorder. For all three concerts this year, Mr. Burkhalter will give illustrated pre-concert talks at 7:30 p.m., providing background and context for the works on each program.

The November 18 concert will focus on musical settings of Shakespeare's texts. In the 18th century, Shakespeare's theatrical works were performed, parodied, and mined for ideas that led to the creation of new works. The concert will explore the legacy of that literary tradition on musical life in 18th century Britain through performances of works by the most famous English composers of the day, who produced works for the theatre as well as concert rooms. The program will include songs by Thomas Arne, Maurice Green, and Thomas Chilcott, all on texts by Shakespeare, and related compositions on texts by Milton, Congreve, and Dryden. Arne's *Trio Sonata in E minor* will also be featured on the program.

The second concert in the 2006-07 season will be "The Lure of the Antique: Music and the Grand Tour" on January 13, with guest Elissa Wagman, baroque violin. The lure of the antique world was powerful in the 18th century. While the poetry, myths, and history of the ancient world had long been part of the curriculum for an educated citizen, the discovery of the buried Roman city of Pompei in 1748, along with other archeological and artistic discoveries, sparked a renewed fascination with antiquity. With music from France, Germany, and Italy on the program, all treating some aspect of the 18th century interest in the ancient world, the concert will offer a musical "Grand Tour." Works by Handel, Telemann, Campra, Fischer, and others will be performed.

Dancers from The Colonial Assembly will join the ensemble for the third concert, titled "Jane Austen's World in Music and Dance," on March 31. The program will draw on the Jane Austen Songbook as well as music mentioned in her novels and letters. Members of The Colonial Assembly, in 1805 period costume, will perform some of Austen's favorite English country dances.

General admission tickets, available at the door, will be $18, $15 for seniors, and $5 for students.

For more information, call (609) 252-0522 or visit www.triomphebaroque.org.

Stuart Singing Ensemble Planning to Hit the Road

The TartanTones, a 25-member vocal ensemble from Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, has a busy performance schedule ahead this fall, highlighted by a trip to Puerto Rico.

Beginning November 17, the TartanTones will participate in the three-day Festival Internacional in Ponce, Puerto Rico. The festival includes other school choirs from the U.S. and Canada. On Saturday, November 18, the group will participate in a workshop at the University of Puerto Rico and sing at a Friendship Concert at the Obispo Corson Church. They will sing special works composed for the event as well as songs from their own repertoire.

The group has also been invited to sing at the swearing-in ceremony of New Jersey's new state Supreme Court Justice James R. Zazzali. The event will take place tomorrow, November 9 at the War Memorial Theater in Trenton. The TartanTones will perform the *Star Spongled Bonner* and *Let There Be Peace on Earth*.

In December, the TartanTones will sing a selection of Christmas carols at Morris Hall in Lawrence on December 3, then perform *Evensong for Christmos* at Stuart on December 14 at 7:15 p.m. in the school's Cor Unum. On December 17, the group will again perform at a benefit for Women Space at Morven at 2 p.m.

For more information about the TartanTones or Stuart Country Day School, call (609) 921-2330.

Friends of Opera Plan Annual Holiday Party

Princeton Friends of Opera (PFO) has announced that its annual Holiday Party will be held on December 9 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Princeton University's Prospect House. Members and non-members alike are invited to attend the gathering, an evening of fundraising, food, and vocal performances by young voice talents from all over the world.

As in the past, PFO is engaging artists from the Academy of Vocal Arts (AVA) to provide after dinner musical entertainment with arias from familiar operas. The singers will be selected by AVA for their potential. Several who sang at previous PFO holiday parties have already moved on to roles with major opera companies worldwide.

Princeton Friends of Opera is the only unaffiliated philanthropic organization in the Princeton area focusing on opera-related activities. Its events are designed to appeal to all age groups and to a wide range of musical interests.

PFO provides free opera for children in Trenton and Princeton, free opera lectures and tickets to opera performance for area high school students, scholarship support for promising voice students, opera videos for seniors, and financial support to Princeton-based professional opera productions. Its events usually include a social gathering, often in a PFO member home.

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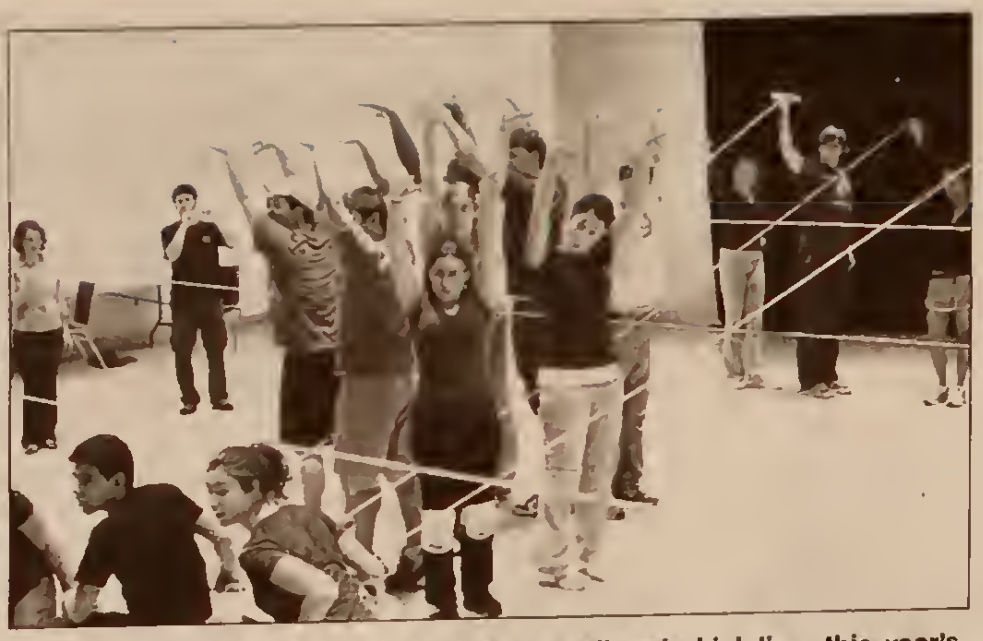

LASER LIGHTENING: As well as its famous all male kick-line, this year's Princeton University Triangle Club production Heist Almighty features paintings that sing, dancing ninjas, and a "Laser Alarm Rhumba," seen here in rehearsal. As the laser beams get closer, dancers are increasingly at risk of setting off the alarm. "Heist Almighty" will be onstage at the McCarter Theater this Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11, at 8 p.m.

(Photo by George Vogel)

Triangle Club Choreographer Tackles Rhumba With Help of Home Depot

"One of the best things in theatre is coming up with theatrical solutions," said Jennifer Paulson Lee, choreographer for *Heist Almighty*, the latest piece of theatrical high jinks from Princeton University's Triangle Club, which will be presented at McCarter Theatre on Friday and Saturday November 10 and 11, at 8 p.m.

For a number in which the entire cast maneuvers through the intricacies of a laser alarm system, Ms. Lee came up with the "solution" of using fluorescent strip lights. "I wanted to have the whole cast involved and I wanted a "laser system" capable of motion, so I paired the ensemble holding fluorescent strips from Home Depot," said Ms. Lee, who worked previously with *Heist Almighty's* Director Robert Duke on *The Tiger Roars*, the 250th Princeton Triangle show.

That was when she "fell in love with their clever, hysterical, slapstick and irreverent style."

Heist Almighty is Robert Duke's eighth show with the Triangle Club. Head of the Department of Drama at The Brearley School in Manhattan, Mr. Duke worked on *Do-Re-Media*, *Shelf Indulgence*, *The Bermuda Love Triangle*, *Rhyme and Punishment*, *The Tiger Roars*, *Puns of Steel*, and *The Rude Olympics II*.

His other work in New Jersey includes the 25th-anniversary production of the musical *Two Gentlemen of Verona* and *A Child's Christmas in Wales* at The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey.

Ms. Lee, has been putting the cast through its paces rehearsing the show-stopping "Laser Alarm Rhumba." "I'm very proud of the students' work and the diversity of talent we have to work with," she said.

A total of 40 actors are necessary to pull off the rhumba numba — 22 paired dancers, 14 laser beam manipulators, and eight members of *Heist Almighty's* "con team."

According to Ms. Lee, the idea for the elaborate routine developed with her first readings of the story. "Choreography must tell the story theatrically while being based in the movement vocabulary of the particular character(s)," she said. "It's a challenge to find movement that suits an untrained dancer and makes them look good."

. For inspiration, Ms. Lee — a dancer who has worked with the likes of Jerome Robbins and Susan Stroman — looked within the story, the music, and to the cast members themselves.

She recently choreographed a new version of Kander and Ebb's *The Rink*, starring Leslie Uggams, and her non-Triangle Club credits include Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* at The Paper Mill Playhouse and Leonard Bernstein's *West Side Story* at the Pioneer Theater.

Ms. Lee described "Laser Alarm Rhumba" as ridiculous and fun. "What more could you ask for?" she said.

Long Tradition

Founded 116 years ago, Princeton University's Triangle Club has long provided aspiring writers, performers and producers with opportunities to launch their careers.

Dating to the days of F. Scott Fitzgerald and Booth Tarkington, it's not only the oldest collegiate touring musical-comedy troupe in the nation, it's also the only college group that creates an original, student-written musical each year that is presented on national tour.

While the jokes and tunes change each year, Triangle's blend of topical humor with collegiate irreverence remains with every show.

In December the show will go on tour with stops in New York, Boston, and Washington D.C. and returns to the Matthews stage for Princeton Reunions in the spring.

Tickets are $20, $22, $23, and $25. Student tickets are $7.50 with ID. To charge tickets by phone, call the McCarter Ticket Office at (609) 258-2787 or order online at www.mccarter.org.

—Linda Arntzenius

LETS RHUMBA: Princeton University student actors James Park and Hannah Barudin rhumba their way around the floor last week in rehearsal for a scene from the Triangle Club's "Heist Almighty," onstage at the McCarter Theater on Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11, at 8 p.m.

(Photo by George Vogel)

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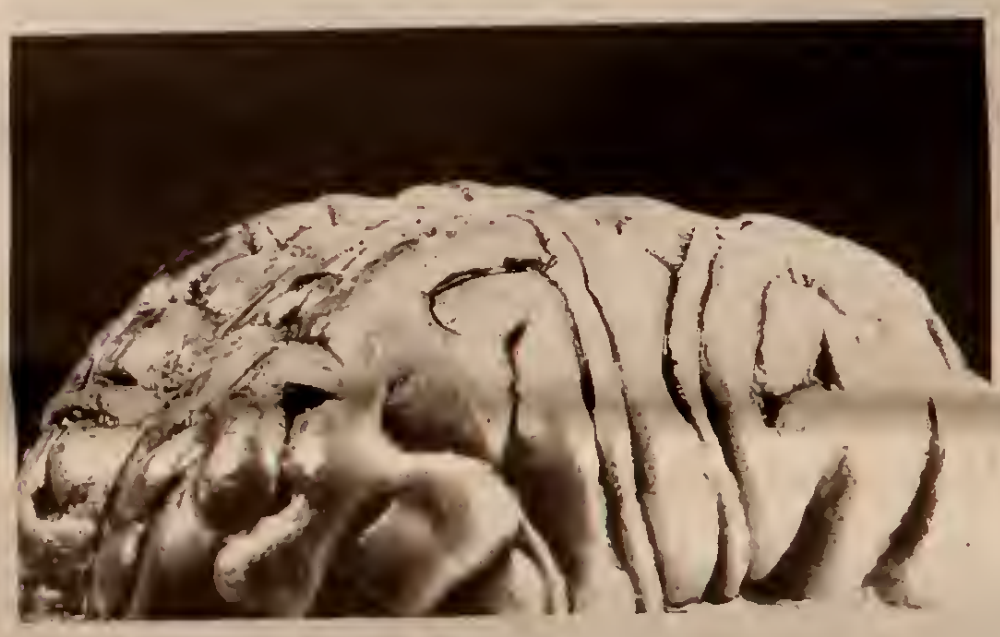

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HOOK SHOT?: Quinn Connors, left, of Montgomery will star as Wendy, Devon Light-Wills of Princeton as Tiger Lily, and John Grewen of Hopewell as the dastardly Captain Hook in the Sourland Hills Actors Guild's production of the musical classic "Peter Pan," arriving Friday, November 17 for four performances at Montgomery High School. Tickets are $10. *(Photo by Robert Meola)*

Sourland Hills Troupe To Stage "Peter Pan"

In what it describes as its "most ambitious project yet," the Sourland Hills Actors Guild will present a full-length production of Peter Pan next weekend in the new Montgomery High School Performing Arts Center. Performances will be Friday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, November 18 at 2 and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, November 19 at 2 p.m.

Under the direction of Moggie Davis, more than 60 area actors — adults and children — will fill the stage with laughter, adventure, and magic in a production featuring Peter and Wendy flying across the stage, the dastardly Captain Hook, and the adventures of lost boys, pirates, and Indians. A non-profit community theater group, the Actors Guild has hired Flying by Foy, a professional New York company used by Broadway theaters, to "fly" its actors onto the Neverland set.

The cast will include Devon Light-Wills of Princeton as Tiger Lily, Quinn Connors of Montgomery as Wendy, and John Grewen of Hopewell as Captain Hook.

A live orchestra will accompany the singers.

Tickets are $10, with reserved seating, and will be available at the door or in advance at the box office outside the high school theater on Monday, November 13 through Wednesday, November 15 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Sourland Hills Actors Guild at (908) 904-0489.

The Center for the Performing Arts at Montgomery High School, a professional theater space accommodating 800, is located at 1016 Route 601 in Skillman.

JOY: Professional company members of the American Repertory Ballet rehearse the joyous finale from Act II of Graham Lustig's *The Nutcracker*, a family favorite for over 43 years. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

SNOWBALLS: Young students from American Repertory Ballet School get ready for their Snowball Dance in the Winter Scene from Graham Lustig's *The Nutcracker*, which will run November 18 through 26 at McCarter Theatre, December 9, at Patriot's Theatre at the War Memorial, and December 16 and 17 at the State Theatre in New Brunswick. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

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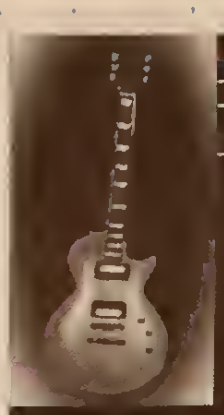

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Bucks County Playhouse Reprising "The Graduate"

The Graduate will return to the Bucks County Playhouse stage for a one-week run beginning Wednesday, November 15 and continuing through Sunday, November 19.

Based on the novel by Charles Webb and the screenplay by Calder Willingham and Buck Henry, the play centers on recent college graduate Benjamin Braddock who is trapped in an affair with Mrs. Robinson, wife of his father's business partner. The young man soon finds himself falling in love with Mrs. Robinson's teenage daughter.

Heading the cast as Mrs. Robinson will be Janet Gray, seen recently as Imogen in *Murder By The Book* at the Off-Broadstreet Theatre in Hopewell, as Barbara in *The Constant Wife* at the Walnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia, and as Diana in *Californio Suite* at the Somerset Valley Playhouse. Ms. Gray has also appeared on HBO's *The Sopronos* and NBC's *Law and Order: Criminal Intent* and *Law and Order: SVU*. Her film credits include *The Stepford Wives*, *Dork Woter*, and the recently released *The Devil Wears Prada*.

Playing the role of Benjamin Braddock will be Playhouse regular Peter Martino, who was seen on the Bucks stage in last season's productions of *Hello, Dolly!*, *Gypsy*, and *Once Upon A Mattress*, in which he played the leading role of Prince Dauntless.

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SEDUCTION ON HER MIND: Janet Gray will star as Mrs. Robinson and Peter Martino as Benjamin Braddock in the Bucks County Playhouse production of "The Graduate," running Wednesday, November 15 through Sunday, November 19. Tickets, $22 or $24, may be ordered by calling (215) 862-2041.

(Photo by Stephen Casey)

The Graduate will be directed by Michael Licata, who directed this season's production of *Into the Woods* and last season's *Gypsy* starring Joyce DeWitt.

Performances will be Wednesday, November 15 at 2 p.m.; Thursday, November 16 at 2 and 8 p.m.; Friday, November 17 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, November 18 at 4 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, November 19 at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are $22 or $24. A Day of Show discount is available to students 21 and under and all active military.

For information and reservations, call (215) 862-2041.

The Bucks County Playhouse is located at 70 South Main Street in New Hope, Pa.

Comedy Hit "Urinetown" To Open Rider's Season

What happens when a greedy capitalist who controls the water rights of a town forces everyone to pay for a basic human need? Hilarious chaos, judged by the musical comedy *Urinetown*, opening this Friday, November 10 at 8 p.m. and running two weekends at Rider University's Yvonne Theater in Lawrenceville. The show will open Rider's main stage theatrical season.

Performances will be Friday and Saturday, November 10, 11, 17, and 18.

Written by playwrights Greg Kotis and Mark Hollmann, the play is based on an experience of Mr. Kotis in Europe. While backpacking through Europe, he learned that he had to pay for the use of public facilities. The longer he stayed in Europe, the poorer he became, and the more annoyed about having to pay for such necessities. The thought soon struck him to write a play about a Gotham-like town crippled by a water shortage. In a mad attempt to regulate water consumption, the government has outlawed the use of private toilets. Anyone who refuses to pay to urinate is hauled off to Urinetown and never heard from again. The hit comedy moved from New York's Fringe Festival during the late '90s to Off-Broadway and later to Broadway.

"This is a spoof on the works of Bertolt Brecht, a German playwright who championed the oppressed masses and condemned greedy capitalists," said Dr. Patrick Chmel, play director and chairperson of the fine arts department at Rider. "The play is beautifully written, totally off-the-wall, outrageous, and absurd. It has a large cast and tough score, very challenging material for our actors to sink their teeth into."

The cast of 25 will include 22 Rider students. Leading roles will be taken by Eddie Egan of Cranford, Rose Lynn of Philadelphia, Judah Frank of Teaneck, Joanne Nosuchinsky of Freehold, Rachel Yucht of Teaneck, Kerry Bowers of Deptford, and Bjorn Stowers of Somerset.

Music direction will be provided by Dr. Jerry Rife, Rider professor of fine arts. Choreography will be by Crystal Moore of Hamilton, vocal direction by Vince DiMura of New Brunswick.

Tickets are $10 for the public, $5 for students, faculty, and staff. A preview performance will be offered on Thursday, November 9 at 7 p.m., with tickets $4 per person, and a brush-up performance on Thursday, November 16 at 7 p.m., also for $4. For more information, call (609) 896-5303.

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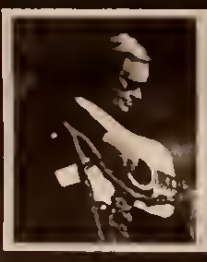

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MEET THE BAILEYS: Marty Berrien of Lawrenceville, center, will star as George Bailey and Vicky Czarnik of Hamilton as his wife Mary with their children, from left, Jesse Dubin of Lawrenceville as Peter, Rosalie Graziano of Hamilton as Janie, Reed Schmidt of Columbus as Zuzu, and Zach Levine of Monroe Township as Tommy, in "It's a Wonderful Life," running November 24 to December 10 at MCCC's Kelsey Theatre. For tickets, call (609) 570-3333 or visit www.kelseytheatre.net.

FLAMENCO PASSION: The Madrid-based flamenco company Noche Flamenca, featuring its star dancer Soledad Barrio, will return to McCarter Theatre for a single performance on Tuesday, November 14 at 8 p.m. Founded in 1993 by Ms. Barrio and her husband, artistic director Martin Santangelo, the troupe has become one of Spain's most successful flamenco companies. Its goal is to give all aspects of flamenco equal weight while maintaining the essence and integrity of one of the world's most mysterious art forms. Wrote The New York Times, "An entire evening of Soledad Barrio's dancing would probably fill the city's coronary wards." Tickets range from $33 to $38 and may be ordered online at www.mccarter.org or by calling the McCarter ticket office at (609) 258-2787.

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"Wonderful Life" to Open Holiday Season at MCCC

It's a Wonderful Life, a stage musical based on the popular 1946 film by Frank Capra, is coming to Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre this holiday season, with performances beginning Friday, November 24 and running through Sunday, December 10. The show will be presented by Maurer Productions OnStage.

Blending music, comedy, and drama, *Wonderful Life* presents the story of George Bailey, a man destined to live a small town life despite big dreams of seeing the world. When financial ruin threatens to topple the family business, George considers ending it all. But Clarence, an angel working to get his wings, intervenes, helping George to see how many lives he has touched and how diminished his town would be if he had never been born. Audiences will meet all the memorable inhabitants of Bedford Falls — Uncle Billy, Mr. Potter, Mary, Violet, Bert, Mr. Gower, and others — as they help teach George that the greatest gifts in life begin at home.

The cast will include Marty Berrien of Lawrenceville as George Bailey, Vicky Czarnik of Hamilton as Mary Bailey, Victor Miller of West Windsor as Pop Bailey, Toni Campbell of Trenton as Mother Bailey, Rosalie Graziano of Hamilton as Janie Bailey, Jesse Dubin of Lawrenceville as Peter Bailey, Zach Levine of Monroe Township as Tommy Bailey, Ray Murphy of Hamilton Square as Uncle Billy, Ellen LaCorte of Titusville as Aunt Tilly, Virginia Manzari of Princeton Junction as Mrs. Thompson, Andy Mahaney of Lawrenceville as Clarence Odbody, Judy Berwick of Lawrenceville as Miss Crabtree, Monica Nordeen of Plainsboro as Miss Carter, and Ileana Hernandez of Pennington as Violet Peterson.

Performances will be Friday, November 24 at 8 p.m.; Saturdays, November 25, December 2, and December 9 at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sundays, Novemher 26, December 3, and December 10 at 2 p.m. An opening night reception will follow the November 24 performance to give the audience a chance to meet the cast and crew.

Tickets are $16 for adults, $12 for seniors, and $10 for students and children, and may be purchased online at www.kelseytheatre.net or by calling the box office at (609) 570-3333.

The Kelsey Theatre is located on Mercer's West Windsor campus at 1200 Old Trenton Road.

Rep Shakespeare Festival Auditioning November 17

The Princeton Rep Company/Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival will hold an open call in Princeton for actors to be considered for the winter PlayLab series and future productions. The auditions will take place on Friday, November 17 from 3 to 9 p.m. at the Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau Street.

The company is particularly interested in local Equity actors from New Jersey, Bucks County, and Philadelphia. Residents from these areas who are unable to attend the audition are encouraged to send a headshot and resume to Princeton Rep Company/Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival, One Palmer Square, Suite 541, Princeton 08542. Victoria Liberatori, Artistic Director, will attend the audition with associate directors.

Auditioners are asked to prepare a one-minute classical monologue, preferably Shakespearean; a 30-second contemporary dramatic monologue; and a 30-second comedic monologue. All ages and ethnicities are encouraged to attend. Non-equity actors will be also be seen.

For more information, e-mail PrcRepRap@aol.com.

Betty Buckley

The "Voice of Broadway" Coming to State Theatre

The Tony Award-winning singer Betty Buckley will perform at the State Theatre for one night only on Saturday, December 2 at 8 p.m., singing a variety of holiday favorites as well as Broadway tunes. Titled *Betty Buckley's Christmas Show*, the concert will feature familiar songs of the season such as *Silent Night*, *Joy to the World*, *The First Noel*, *White Christmas*, *O Holy Night*, *Winter Wonderland*, and *Hove Yourself a Merry Little Christmas*.

Ms. Buckley made her Broadway debut in 1969 as Martha Jefferson in *1776*. Years later she received a Tony Award for her performance as Grizabella the Glamour Cat in the Broadway musical *Cats*. Her rendition of the hit song *Memory* stopped the show each night and has since become her signature tune.

During the 1997-98 Broadway season, she was nominated for another Tony for Best Actress in a Musical for her performance as Hesione in *Triumph of Love*.

Ms. Buckley, or as New York magazine calls her, "the voice of Broadway," has also performed in Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Song and Dance* and the London production of Webber's *Sunset Boulevard*, for which she received an Olivier Award nomination for her portrayal of Norma Desmond. Her television credits include CBS' *Vinegar Hill*; FOX's *The Jury*; the USA Network's *Monk*; and HBO's *Oz*, among others. She has also appeared in the movies *Carrie*, *Tender Mercies*, *Another Woman*, and *Frantic*. In 1995, she received two honorary doctorates of fine arts for her contribution to the musical theater, from Marymount College and the Boston Conservatory of Music.

Tickets range from $45 to $70, with group, student, and senior discounts available, and may be ordered by calling the State Theatre box office at (732) 246-7469, or by visiting www.StateTheatreNJ.org.

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CINEMA REVIEW

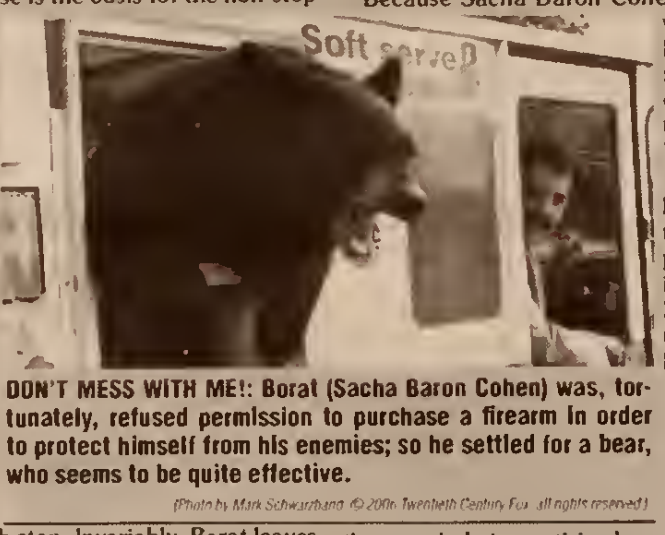
Borat

Crude Kazakh Conquers America in Crass Comedy

Borat Sagdiyev (Sacha Baron Cohen), a gullible TV reporter hailing from a primitive village in Kazakhstan, has some rather naïve notions about the West. For example, because he learned most of what he knows about American culture from television, he thinks it's okay to shoot Indians on sight and to refer to blacks using the N-word. He also is a sexist, incestuous, homophobic, anti-Semite; although these prejudices are ostensibly pardonable, since he presumably was raised in a backwards environment.

Despite these handicaps, he was assigned to shoot a documentary program about the United States. So, packing little more than a live chicken and a hand-held camera into his weathered leather valise, Borat embarks with wide-eyed wonder to what he expects to be the best country in the world.

This fish-out-of-water premise is the basis for the non-stop nuttiness generated by Borat in his documentary: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan. The picture is the brainchild of British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, who originally introduced this kooky character he created on HBO's *Da Ali G Show*.



DON'T MESS WITH ME!: Borat (Sacha Baron Cohen) was, fortunately, refused permission to purchase a firearm in order to protect himself from his enemies; so he settled for a bear, who seems to be quite effective.

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Accompanied by his producer, Azamat Bagatov (Ken Davitian), Borat enthusiastically careens across America in a rundown ice cream truck. Speaking with a thick accent and clumsier than the proverbial bull in a china shop (literally and figuratively), he conducts a disconnected series of unscripted interviews at each stop. Invariably, Borat leaves behind a trail of dumbfounded subjects who are baffled by the affable foreigner's bizarre behavior and suspect that they've just been had.

The bulk of Cohen's co-stars are not actors, but unsuspecting people duped into signing a release with the understanding that they were about to be filmed for inclusion in a serious documentary. Most of the participants were unaware that they'd unknowingly agreed to be portrayed as prejudiced or as the butt of a mean spirited joke.

Whether he's getting an etiquette lesson, buying a used car, getting his first driving lesson, singing the *Stor Spongled Bonner* at a rodeo, shopping for antiques, crashing a Gay Pride parade, or sitting in on a feminist consciousness raising session, our provocative protagonist manages to get a rise out of everyone he encounters. Although there are side splitting sequences galore in this cleverly executed farce, there remain deeper ethical questions which ought to be addressed when critiquing this genre of cinema.

Many of the people who appear in the movie, some of whom are reportedly consulting attorneys, claim to have been tricked into making fools of themselves. Assuming the ends do justify the means, is it ethical to include the victims' offhand comments into a production which contains much more repugnant material?

Why are we even inclined to celebrate Borat; is bigotry acceptable when advocated by an ignoramus? He openly advocates incest, rape, the hanging of gays, and drinking the blood of Iraqis, while saving his most virulent hatred for Jews.

Because Sacha Baron Cohen is Jewish, Borat is able to vent his anti-Semitism with lines like, "Come on, make my day, Jew!" to a parody of Pamplona's running of the bulls called Kazakhstan's "Running of the Jew."

Judging by the boorish behavior of Borat and his countrymen, one would never suspect that the real Kazakhstan is a developed nation with a higher literacy rate (99.5%) than that of the United States. Isn't it curious that supposedly civilized audiences could be entertained by such a misleading characterization of the people of a country, especially when the audience is possibly less educated than the people being satirized up on the screen?

As long as box office receipts alone remain the bottom line for Hollywood, Borat's success will undoubtedly be imitated, so expect an explosion of this sort of moronic, politically incorrect slapstick.

Horrifying, vulgar, and exploitative, yet somehow simultaneously inspired, brilliant and convulsively hilarious, Borat is a movie you'll be ashamed to admit you loved every second of. Provided you don't mind experiencing those conflicting emotions, this picture is also easily the funniest film of the year thus far.

Excellent (★★★★). Rated R for profanity, ethnic slurs, crude sexuality, and male nudity. Running time: 84 minutes. Studio: 20th Century Fox

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AT THE CINEMA

Barot (R for profanity, crude sexuality, and nudity). Sacha Baron Cohen stars in the title role of this zany comedy as a journalist dispatched to the U.S. from his native Kazakhstan to make a documentary about America. Cast includes Pamela Anderson, Pat Haggerty and Ken Davitian.

Catch a Fire (PG-13 for violence, brief profanity, and mature themes). South African political potboiler, set in the eighties at the height of the anti-apartheid movement, stars Derek Luke as real-life hero Patrick Chamusso, an apolitical family man who becomes an ANC freedom fighter after being falsely accused of sabotaging the oil refinery where he works. Co-starring Tim Robbins as a colonel overseeing brutal interrogations by the country's secret police.

Color of the Cross (PG-13 for graphic crucifixion images). Biblical epic examining the last two days in the life of Christ is the first feature film to portray Jesus (Jean-Claude LaMarre) as black and to suggest that his Crucifixion may have been motivated by the color of his skin. With Debbi Morgan as the Virgin Mary, Johann John Jean as Judas Iscariot, and Akiva David as John.

The Deported (R for violence, profanity, sexuality, and drug use). Martin Scorcese crime saga, set in South Boston, chronicles the efforts of the Massachusetts State Police to dismantle a crime syndicate by planting a mole (Leonardo DiCaprio) inside the organization. Little do the cops know that the crooks have infiltrated the department with an informer (Matt Damon) of their own. Big name cast includes Jack Nicholson, Martin Sheen, Anthony Anderson, Mark Wahlberg, Alec Baldwin and Vera Farmiga.

Flags af Our Fothers (R for profanity and graphic depiction of war). Clint Eastwood directs this World War II bio-pic about the fates of the six soldiers seen raising the American flag atop Mount Suribachi in the Pulitzer Prize-winning photograph snapped on February 23, 1945 after the bloody battle on the island of Iwo Jima. Cast features Ryan Phillippe, Jesse Bradford, Adam Beach, Barry Pepper, John Benjamin Hickey, Paul Walker, Jamie Bell and John Slattery.

Flicko (PG for mild epithets). Alison Lohman stars in the Roddy McDowell role in this remake of *My Friend Flicka* (1943), based on the Mary O'Hara children's novel of the same name. Heartwarming tale revolves around a rebellious adolescent out to prove to her parents (Tim McGraw and Maria Bello) that she can tame a wild mustang. Film failed to garner animal activists' stamp of approval after two horses perished on the set.

Flushed Awoy (PG for crude humor and mild epithets). Class-conscious, claymation animated adventure about a pampered pet mouse (Hugh Jackman) living high on the hog in a posh, penthouse apartment who gets an instant lesson in how the other half lives when he's accidentally flushed down the toilet and ends up among the hoi polloi on the streets of London. With character voiceovers by Kate Winslet, Jean Reno, Bill Nighy, Ian McKellen and Andy Serkis.

A Good Yeor (PG-13 for sex and expletives). Ridley Scott (Gladiator) reunites with Russell Crowe for this dramedy about a disgraced British businessman who retires to a chateau in France to tend to the tiny vineyard he thinks he's inherited from his uncle (Albert Finney) only to have a young girl (Abbie Cornish) arrive from California claiming to be the rightful heir.

The Grudge 2 (PG-13 for mature themes, disturbing images, terror, violence and some sensuality). Sequel to 2004 horror film has Amber Tamblyn arriving in Tokyo where she's exposed to the same supernatural curse which afflicted her sister (Sarah Michelle Gellar) and anyone who crosses its path. The cast includes Jennifer Beals, Joanna Cassidy, Edison Chen and Jenna Dewan.

Horsh Times (R for profanity, drug use and graphic violence). Christian Bale and Freddy Rodriguez co-star in this inner-city saga as a couple of best friends whose relationship is ruined when street crime comes between them.

The Illusianist (PG-13 for sex and violence). Edward Norton stars in this romance drama, set in turn-of-the-century Vienna, about a lowly magician who puts his powers to use to win back his childhood sweetheart, a princess (Jessica Biel) who is set to marry a crown prince (Rufus Sewell).

The Last King af Scotlond (R for sex, expletives, graphic violence, and gruesome images). Forest Whitaker stars in the title role as Uganda's Idi Amin in this docudrama revisiting the mercurial dictator's reign of terror during the seventies. Cast includes James McAvoy, Kerry Washington, Gillian Anderson and Colin McBurney.

Little Miss Sunshine (R for sex, expletives and drug use). Road comedy about a dysfunctional family's ordeal driving by VW bus from Albuquerque, NM to Redondo Beach, CA in order to enter their chubby, bespectacled seven year-old (Abigail Breslin) in a beauty pageant. Cast includes Greg Kinnear and Toni Collette as her doting parents, Alan Arkin as her heroin-snorting grandpa, Steve Carrell as her suicidal uncle, and Paul Dano as her mute brother.

Mon of the Year (PG-13 for profanity, crude sexual references, drug use, and violence). Comedy about an irreverent, TV talk show host (Robin Williams) who decides to run for president and ends up winning the election when a computer error mistakenly awards him the White house. Talented cast includes Oscar-winner Christopher Walken, nominees Laura Linney and Jeff Goldblum, and comedian Lewis Black.

Morie Antoinette (PG-13 for sexuality, innuendos, and partial nudity). Kirsten Dunst takes on the title role in this 18th Century costume drama which revisits the rise and fall of the Austrian-born duchess who became Queen of France as a teenager only to be beheaded at 37 by guillotine at the height of the French Revolution in 1793. Sofia Coppola directs empathetic biopic about clueless ruler vilified for suggesting "Let them eat cake!" in response to a Paris bread shortage.

Open Seasan (PG for off-color language, mild action, and crude humor). Animated adventure about a domesticated grizzly bear (Martin Lawrence) released in the wild that forges an unlikely friendship with a trash-talking deer (Ashton Kutcher) and other forest animals in order to turn the tables on the humans during hunting season. Voicework provided by Debra Messing, Jon Favreau, Gary Sinise and Jane Krakowski.

The Prestige (PG-13 for violence and disturbing images). Christopher Nolan (Memento) directs this twisted psychological thriller, set in 1878, which examines the enduring rivalry of a couple of master magicians (Hugh Jackman and Christian Bale), enemies for life, who devote their entire careers to uncovering each other's secrets.

The Queen (PG-13 for brief profanity). Helen Mirren handles the title role in this biopic about the crisis which confronted the British royal family when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and company were not inclined to mourn publicly in the wake of the death of Princess Diana. With Michael Sheen as Tony Blair, James Cromwell as Prince Philip, Sylvia Syms as the Queen Mum.

The Return (PG-13 for violence, terror, and disturbing images). Sarah Michelle Gellar stars in this horror flick about a saleswoman traveling across the Midwest while somehow haunted by nightmares of the murder of a stranger which occurred 15 years ago.

Running with Scissars (R for sex, expletives, violence, and substance abuse). Dysfunctional family drama, set in 1971, about the six year-son (Joseph Cross) of an alcoholic professor (Alec Baldwin) and a delusional, Valium-dependent poet (Annette Bening) who allow the boy to be adopted by a psychiatrist (Brian Cox) presiding over a bizarre household of his own. Ensemble includes Gwyneth Paltrow, Jill Clayburgh, Joseph Fiennes, Evan Rachel Wood, Gabrielle Union and Kristin Chenoweth.

The Sonto Clouse 3: The Escape Clouse (G) Tim Allen reprises his role as Scott Calvin, aka Saint Nick, now a newlywed with a pregnant wife (Elizabeth Mitchell). This adventure has Santa matching wits with his nemesis Jack Frost (Martin Short) who is trying to appropriate the Christmas holiday.

Saw III (R for profanity, nudity, gore, torture, graphic violence and frightening sequences). Third installment in the grisly series has the sadistic Jigsaw (Tobin Bell) back baffling the police while, with the help of an apprentice, (Shawnee Smith) he again keeps a terrified community on edge.

Stranger Thon Fiction (PG-13 for sex, expletives, nudity and disturbing images). Will Ferrell stars in this surrealistic fantasy as an IRS agent who hears the voice of a novelist (Emma Thompson) in his head only to realize that she's not only controlling what happens in his life but also has plans to kill off his character. Cast includes Dustin Hoffman, Queen Latifah, Maggie Gyllenhaal and Kristin Chenoweth.

—Kam Williams

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Playwright Charles Evered Enjoys Princeton's Community of Culture

Charles Evered is a man with a mission. He likes to tell stories, and he does so through plays, film, and television. A respected playwright and screenwriter, he looks forward to his next challenge: directing. In March of 2007, he will direct the world premiere staging of his play, "Adopt A Sailor" off-off Broadway in New York City, and in the fall of 2007, he will direct a short film, *Visiting* in Princeton, based on his play of the same name. Looking further ahead, Mr. Evered plans to direct a feature film, *Ride*, his own original screen play, in early 2008.

"I hope to be able to direct and write," he explains. "When I write a play or screenplay, I want to express my own vision. And if I direct, then I can also bring out my own vision of the piece."

Mr. Evered has been bringing forth his "vision" through plays and stories from the time he was a boy. Although his first dream was to become a major league baseball player, this New Jersey native (who loved the Boston Red Sox!), began staging plays early on, recalls his sister, Anne Evered.

"All of us Evereds were budding playwrights. Off we'd go to write the story, stage each scene, and spend most of the day rehearsing. Chuck was more ambitious than any of us. His imagination has no boundaries. When my older brother and I staged plays in the back yard, Chuck, as a teenager, retained the William Carlos Williams Center in Rutherford to stage his plays, and invited professional actors to perform in them."

Wonderful Times

This and a variety of other activities and experiences reflect happy times in Mr. Evered's boyhood and with his family. The youngest of the five children of Marie and Charles Evered, he has four siblings: Robby, Danny, Anne, and Kathleen. Born in Passaic in 1964, Charles grew up in Rutherford.

"I had wonderful times as a kid," he says. "Our parents wanted us to be exposed to a lot. On Thanksgiving, and especially Christmas, we'd be surrounded by all these presents, and then Dad would get the car, and we'd drive over to Newark. He and my mom would point out that not everyone had what we did, and that the holidays were not just about getting.

"Our family was always service-oriented," he continues. "My great-grandfather and my grandfather were both the fire chief of Rutherford, and my dad served in World War II. Our family admired the Kennedys, and my mom used to serve meals on plates with their pictures — especially Jack and Bobby. This was in the late '60s.

"My dad was very outgoing and good at communicating and getting his ideas across. My mom was quiet and funny, with an ironic humor. We'd take driving trips to the Great Lakes and Florida, and also went to California. They didn't have a lot of money, but they spent it on worthwhile things."

Charles, known as Chuck to his family and friends, looked up to Carl Yastremski of the Red Sox, and played on the Rutherford High School baseball team. He was also a great reader and a fan of Henry David Thoreau. He kept a journal in which he regularly wrote.

"I realized two things when I was at Rutherford High School," he reports. "One, I was not going to be a major league baseball player, which had been my dream, and two, I loved writing. Hugh Thomas was my English teacher, and he had been in the original cast of *The Fantastics*. He was wonderful. He'd act out all the parts in the Shakespeare plays. He was funny and intense, and he turned me on to dramatic literature."

The Evereds' family life changed dramatically with the death of his father when Charles was 14. "When my dad died, writing in the journals was an outlet for me," he remembers.

His mother did her best to continue the children's exposure to cultural and civic life. "She'd take us to New York to see Broadway plays, and she also took me to Washington, D.C. to Reagan's inauguration, so I could be a part of the event. And we went to London to see relatives.

Theater Group

"We had quality, not quantity," reflects Mr. Evered. "I lost my parents early — Dad when I was 14, my mom when I was 21. But I had parents I loved and who loved me."

After graduating from high school, Charles attended the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, planning to major in Russian literature. "That didn't work out though," he recalls. "That area in Rhode Island was very remote. I felt isolated, and drifted to the theater group. They were interesting and fun."

He decided to transfer to Rutgers, the Newark campus, the following year, and as he points out, "A big turning point for me was when I got a job as a security guard at the William Carlos Wiliams Center for the Performing Arts in Rutherford. About 25 of us, friends from Rutgers and other workers at the Center, decided we should put on some plays. I started writing the plays, and we called it The Other Syde Theater Company."

Critiques from area publications were positive, and Mr. Evered says it was all good instruction for him in the need for keeping a perspective. "The great lesson was that after we'd gotten very good reviews from the local papers, I still had to go and clean the toilets as part of my job!"

Similarly, he notes that while enjoying the benefits of what has become a very successful career, he makes a point of remembering when things weren't so smooth. "There are ups and downs in anyone's life, and I don't forget the things I didn't get and the disappointments."

After graduating from Rutgers with a degree in English literature in 1987, he moved to Hoboken, and worked at a variety of jobs, including as a carpenter's assistant, all the while continuing to write plays.

CREATING CHARACTERS: "It's so important for a writer to meet all kinds of people. The more people you know, the better. This helps your work, and I make a point of writing from more than one point of view. I like to explore — as much as I can — where every character on stage is coming from, not just the character I happen to agree with. I write about people first." Charles Evered, playwright and screenwriter, creates multi-layered characters of remarkable depth.

Lots of Scripts

It was in Hoboken that he met producer Charles Rucker, who recalls their first introduction. "I was with the Renegade Theater, and we read lots of scripts. We had a theater in the VFW Hall, and one day on the steps leading up to the hall, we found a script. It was *Running Funny*, written by this 22-year-old guy, and was very funny and touching at the same time, and very appropriate to Hoboken. So, I called him up, and we hit it off immediately."

The 22-year-old was Charles Evered, and this was his first real success. "We did a reading," continues Mr. Rucker, "and it went very well. Later, I became co-production manager of the theater, and we did another of his plays, *One Call*, which I directed."

Another lucky break came along for Mr. Evered when he got a job at Lincoln Center as assistant to director Del Close. "This was a great opportunity, and I also kept writing. Then, I sent some of my plays to the Williamstown Theater Festival, and I was asked to go up as a playwriting intern. I assisted Joanne Woodward and Austin Pendleton, among others, and I did this for three or four summers."

Then it was on to Yale Drama School to focus on dramatic writing. "There were four people in every class," remembers Mr. Evered, "and it was very intense. The first day at Yale, we were in Room 101, the late George Baker's famous playwriting class room, and I kept thinking I had gotten into Yale by mistake!"

It was no mistake, and Yale offered many new possibilities, including exposure to screenwriting. "I was very influenced by film director George Roy Hill (known especially for *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* and *The Sting*), who was a visiting professor for the year. He became my greatest mentor," says Mr. Evered. "This was an 'Aha!' moment. He was someone I felt I could emulate and look up to. He was tough and frank like my dad. I began to think maybe I could do both — plays and film. He was a great teacher.

"I was also influenced at Yale by artistic director Lloyd Richards and playwright August Wilson. Others came to speak, too, including Arthur Miller, and he was shown my play *The Size of the World*. Two months later, I had a letter from him, saying, 'I liked your play' and what he thought was good about it. I was thrilled."

Terrific Play

Also at Yale, he met fellow student, Sean Cullen, now artistic director of American National Theater, who recalls their association with pleasure. "I did the first production of Chuck's play, *The Size of the World*, at Yale. It's one of my fondest memories during my three years there. It's a terrific play, with three of the most sympathetic but complicated characters you'll ever see in a contemporary work. And it's incredibly funny.

"Those traits are characteristic of Chuck, too. He's a guy with a huge heart and brain to match, who knows intimately the dark and light sides to life, and he infuses his work with ample portions of both. When I started in on The American National Theatre project in New York three and a half years ago, I certainly had Chuck's work in mind. It is quintessentially American."

Receiving a Master of Fine Arts degree in 1991, Mr. Evered was on the move. New opportunities presented themselves when he won an Albee Fellowship, enabling him to attend a summer writing workshop at the Edward Albee Foundation in Montauk, N. Y., and he received the Chesterfield Screenwriting Fellowship, sponsored by Amblin (now Dreamworks), director Steven Spielberg's company.

"Scouts from there had come to Yale and other schools to see plays," explains Mr. Evered, "and I was invited to Los Angeles to learn about writing screenplays. There were 10 writers, including poets, short story writers, and playwrights, and we were introduced to screenwriting. It is different than writing a play. In screenwriting, they say 'Show, don't tell.' There is less dialogue, and it's almost from a different side of your mind. I liked it, too, though, and I think it's healthier to do many different things."

One of the differences he points out, too, is that while a moment on screen can be captured for the future, "with a play, this magic is happening now. It's like falling in love — you can't replicate that moment."

Mr. Evered stayed in Los Angeles for four years, learned the craft, and wrote, among other projects, a screen play, *Home Spun*, which led to a *Blind Deal* from Dreamworks. "You are paid by the company to

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Charles Evered

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write a screen play of your own choosing," he explains. "It also got me a great agent. I liked L.A. as a single guy, but after a few years, I was writing and being paid, but nothing was getting produced. So, in 1994, I moved to New York and had some great years there."

Real Voice

He and producer Charles Rucker were in touch again, and as Mr. Rucker reports, "I had seen a production of Chuck's play, *The Size of the World*, and we secured the rights, and it was performed at Circle Repertory Theater. We had a wonderful cast, with Rita Moreno, Louis Zorich, and Frank Whaley, and it was a very successful production.

"Chuck and I have known each other a long time, and I think he is a tremendous playwright. He has grown tremendously, and his maturity is amazing. He is someone with a real voice. He has a way of creating characters and moments on the stage that are totally believable and accessible and unique. I think he always has had the ability to create characters that any audience could connect to, and yet there are unexpected twists and turns to them."

In 1997, after successful years in New York, Mr. Evered decided to take time off to travel in the U.S. and overseas. Expanding one's horizons as a writer is always welcome, and he headed first to Maine (he had never been there), followed by China (narrowly escaping an abduction attempt), Japan, and Vietnam.

"I really traveled all over Asia and then to Russia. I was gone about a year, and it was a great experience. It's very important to keep myself open to ideas, and traveling is very useful in this."

Needing to replenish his finances, however, he set off for Los Angeles again, and sold a story, *Corrier*, about an aircraft carrier, to Dreamworks.

His life changed dramatically in 1998, when he got married. He had actually met actress Wendy Rolfe when she was a graduate student at Yale Drama School, but it was just a brief introduction before he graduated.

Third Date

"Yale was really a godsend for me," he says. "It was where I first met my wife, and I had all these wonderful opportunities. I remember Wendy was a pretty blonde girl, studying design and acting. Now she was working as an actress in L.A., and I met her at one of my plays. I proposed on our third date, and we were married by the director, Arthur Hiller, who was also a minister."

In 1999, to the surprise (and with the full support) of his wife, Mr. Evered joined the Naval Reserve. "My family had a tradition of serving, and I wanted to to do something, to give back," he explains. "I was commissioned into the Navy by Senator John McCain, and I graduated from the U.S. Naval Aviation School's Command in Pensacola, Fla., and also served in Pennsylvania and California. I am currently a lieutenant in the Ready Reserve."

After September 11, 2001, accompanied by a Navy photographer, Mr. Evered went to the site of the World Trade Center to document the destruction for articles he planned to write. The Evereds had decided to relocate to the east coast, and "9/11 helped consolidate why we wanted to come east," he says. "We had felt distant from this tragedy, and wanted to be here and closer to family."

Moving to Madison, the Evereds, now with two children, Margaret and John, found themselves coming to Princeton on many weekends, and then decided to make it their east coast home. Because of his screen play work, Mr. Evered commutes to California regularly, where he resides in Rancho Mirage, near Palm Springs.

"The lucky thing about my life is that I could live anywhere — California, New Jersey, New York, New England — and I have lived in all of those places," he points out. "But we really love Princeton. It's a great place for the kids. They have stability here and go to Community Park School. I really wouldn't want them growing up in L.A. We love the University and what it offers, we love the library, and we love Community Park School. Our kids are happy.

"And one of the things I like best about Princeton is that the life of the mind is celebrated here. I like going to Starbuck's and hearing people arguing about Toistoy's *War and Peace*. We are here to stay in Princeton."

"Adopt A Sailor"

This view is echoed by his wife, Wendy Rolfe Evered, who continues to act in her husband's plays and screen plays. She will appear in a reading of his play *Adopt A Sailor* December 14 at the Arts Council, and in his film *Visiting* next fall.

"I guess we see ourselves as Bohemians doing our best to raise our kids in this wonderful town that has such an abundance of art and science, music, history — you name it," reports Mrs. Evered. "As an actress and as a mother, I am encouraged to see so many things available to us.

"And Chuck is such a versatile and very disciplined writer that I constantly marvel at what he can produce, deadlines he can meet, under some unbelievably challenging circumstances: for example, writing a *Monk* episode while living in a hotel room with two small and very energetic kids.

"One tradition we have is that as soon as Chuck finishes a script, I am the first to read it. He baby-sits while I settle in at Starbucks and have a good read. And because Chuck can make you laugh one minute, and then sob the next, I must admit that I have probably laughed and cried in more Starbucks in more states than most people. But I consider it an honor. People may think I'm a wacko, but oh well!"

The *Monk* episode Mrs. Evered referred to will air in January 2007 on USA network and will star Emmy-winner Tony Shaloub. It is titled *Mr. Monk and the Leper*, and is Mr. Evered's first experience with episodic TV. He is also pleased to have sold a pilot to NBC, called *Reserve Center*, which focuses on military life on the homefront.

In addition, his play *Celadine*, starring Amy Irving, received excellent reviews when it played at George Street Playhouse. As his friend and fellow playwright, William Mastrosimone says, "There is a scene in *Celadine* that is about as sophisticated as comedy gets, a scene that would make serious comedy writers envious.

Important Writer

"Chuck has a very worldly side that informs his work. He has a firm grip of human nature. You see that strain in all his work. And as for the work itself, he has a very sure hand that ranges from the muscular to the ethereal. In a single line, he can draw a character, chill you to the bone, or bring down the house.

"All in all, I think Chuck Evered is a savvy, hugely talented, universal, important writer. When I go to a theater to see his work, I know there will be substance that will stick to the ribs, so to speak. And as much as I enjoy his work, I believe his best work is still ahead of him."

Sean Cullen agrees with these observations. "Chuck has grown enormously over the last 18 years, which says a lot because I thought he was one of the most talented writers to come out of Yale during our time there. And for all he's accomplished as a playwright so far — and for some, it would be a life's work already — I think he's only getting started."

Anne Evered adds that while not surprised at her brother's choice of careers, she is impressed by his talent. "Each time I see his plays I'm blown away that he has so much talent! Even when he was doing his graduate work, and *The Size of the World* was performed at the Yale Rep Theater, I remember picking up my tickets at the box office and noticing that they cost $30.00 each. I thought, 'Oh no, these people think they're going to see a play by a real playwright! Watching his play that night, seeing Chuck and the actors receive a standing ovation, I finally realized that Chuck had more than just ambition, but is indeed blessed with true talent."

Commerce and Art

Mr. Evered is grateful for such warm words, the positive reception his work has received, his numerous awards and fellowships, and that such well-known actors as Sam Waterston, Anne Jackson, Eli Wallach, Liev Schreiber, Eric Stoltz, Bebe Neuwirth, Olympia Dukakis, and Paul Giamatti, among others, have appeared in his plays. He looks forward to all that is ahead, including a feature film made of his play *Running Funny* to be released next year. In the midst of his success, however, Mr. Evered remains very centered. He knows what his work means to him and why he writes.

"I want my kids to know about my work. I do this not for the money, not for the recognition, but for the legacy I can leave to my kids and to whomever. I can leave a body of work and share my ideas. Also, there is always the challenge in my work of finding a balance between commerce and art, finding a way to write what matters and take care of my children. I mean, I look at my kids' mouths, and they have to be fed! I hope that being a good dad is my proudest achievement."

When they get a chance, the Evereds love to travel, and take busman's holidays, enjoying theater and film. "My favorite movie is always *It's A Wonderful Life*, he says. "You can always learn from that. And my favorite play is *School For Scandal* by Richard Brinsley Sheridan. He fascinates me. He was in government as well as a playwright. The play is very funny and very smart."

Regarding his own work, Mr. Evered reflects on the world of ideas and what theater has meant to people through the centuries. "I feel compelled to tell stories about human beings, not because I like or don't like any particular President, or want to impress what in the end is a very limited constituency. I make a point of not writing 'message' plays because it's been my experience that overt 'political plays' become smaller onstage than the ideas they're hoping to convey.

"I write stories that I feel personally compelled to tell. I'm a political independent both as a writer and as a citizen. I don't write 'for' or 'against' the government. I think writing, playwriting, telling stories in general, is much more important work than what most politicians do.

"Theater predates politics, and there's a reason. Because it's more elemental to who we are. Because in the end, when someone does an archaeological dig on our little society here, what is going to interest them is not so much who we elected as our senator or whomever, but rather — what stories did we tell? What did we feel was important enough to convey in our literature or our plays or even on television? Those will be the remnants we leave behind, not zoning laws or how someone voted on any particular issue. In the end, just as with the Greeks, I believe what will resonate — will be the stories."

—Jean Stratton

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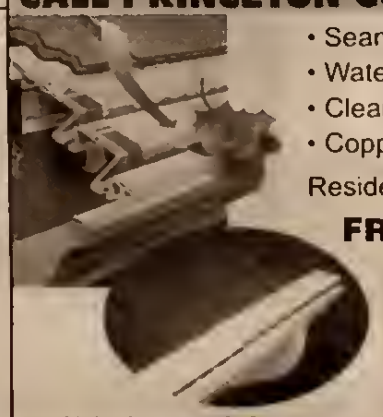

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Sports

Princeton Football Sounds Perfect Pitch As It Tops Penn, Sets Up Yale Showdown

With Princeton University on fall break last week, the Tiger football team had plenty of extra time to bone up for its Saturday clash with visiting Penn.

Practicing twice a day, Princeton was able to polish its offensive and defensive packages in readying itself for just about anything the Quakers could throw at it.

But all the extra work in the world couldn't have prepared the Tigers for the emotional rollercoaster that unfolded as they pulled out a dramatic 31-30 double overtime win against the Quakers before a stunned, then joyous crowd of 14,38S at Princeton Stadium.

The victory improved Princeton to 7-1 overall and 4-1 in Ivy League play, setting up a pivotal clash this Saturday at Yale (7-1 overall, 5-0 Ivy). Snakebitten Penn, which played and lost its third straight overtime game, an NCAA record, fell to 4-4 (2-3 Ivy).

Early in the fourth quarter, the Tigers appeared to have the game in hand as they built a 24-10 lead. The plucky Quakers, though, scored 14 unanswered points to force overtime.

In overtime, the pulsating contest turned truly bizarre. In its possession in the first overtime, Penn botched a field goal attempt as holder Matt Reinert dropped the ball. Princeton followed suit with a field goal attempt that was blocked.

In the second overtime, Princeton had possession first and got to the one-yard line. The Tigers gave the ball to powerful fullback Rob Toresco who got corralled by the Quaker defense. Before the whistle blew, however, Toresco pitched the ball back to quarterback Jeff Terrell, who scooted in for a touchdown. A Connor Louden extra point gave Princeton a 31-24 lead.

Penn, though, answered back with a touchdown pass from Robert Irvin to Matt Carre. On its extra point attempt, the snap came in low and Reinert scooped it up and sprinted to the corner, headed for a game-winning two-point conversion. A Princeton defensive charge led by Pat McGrath headed Reinert off, knocking him out of bounds at the one and preserving the stunning win.

The Princeton team sprinted en masse to the corner of the field to celebrate their good fortune while several Penn players sat on the turf, staring off in disbelief.

Princeton head coach Roger Hughes, a veteran of Ivy battles since 1992 when he came to Dartmouth as an offensive coordinator, never saw a game quite like Saturday's contest.

"Coach [Scott] Sallach and I were talking about it during the fourth quarter just as they were lining up to kick their last extra point; I said this is the most bizarre game I've been associated with," said Hughes. "It really is; you could not have scripted it any better for a movie."

But while the game took as many plot turns as a Hitchcock film mystery, the resilience that Princeton has shown all fall remained a constant.

"I'm proud of how our team hung in there," said Hughes, reflecting on an afternoon in which Princeton was outgained 529 yards to 445. "There was never a panic or anything. It was just next time we get the ball, we've got to do some things."

The two coolest heads of the afternoon belonged to Toresco and Terrell, whose moment of divine improvisation ended up being broadcast around the nation later Saturday night as the ESPN Sportscenter's "Top Play of the Day."

PERFECT PITCH: Princeton University senior quarterback Jeff Terrell races into the end zone after gathering in a pitch from running back Rob Toresco in the second overtime of Princeton's 31-30 win over Penn last Saturday. The moment of divine improvisation ended up being broadcast around the nation later Saturday night as the ESPN Sportscenter's "Top Play of the Day. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Joking that the play was just as the coaches had drawn it up, Toresco explained that the pitch came on the fly.

"You have to find a way to win," said Toresco. "I didn't hear a whistle and I don't think there was one. I've played football long enough; it's just a heads-up play."

While Toresco may not have heard a whistle, he did hear some hollering from Terrell. "I didn't hear my name but I heard Jeff yell something so I turned around and let it go," added Toresco.

Terrell, for his part, wasn't sure that his voice was going to be heard above the din. "From my point of view, it didn't look like Robby was going to get into the end zone; there were seven or eight guys right there," recalled Terrell. "I screamed to him and he made a good play.

EXTRA SPECIAL: Princeton University defensive players Tim Boardman (No. 44) and Brig Walker (top) celebrate with their teammates after the Tigers topped Penn 31-30 last Saturday in double overtime. The win improved Princeton to 7-1 overall and 4-1 in Ivy League play and set up a pivotal showdown this Saturday at Yale (7-1 overall, 5-0 Ivy). *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

I was hoping he could hear me because I had a free lane to the end zone."

Early in the game, Princeton appeared to be on the fast lane to victory. After the teams traded early touchdowns, the Tigers seized momentum midway through the second quarter. Sparked by some big runs by back-up quarterback Bill Foran on reverse plays, Princeton marched 85 yards with the drive culminated by a nine-yard touchdown pass from Terrell to Jake Staser as the Tigers went ahead 14-7. Princeton increased the lead to 17-7 as it ended the half with a Connor Louden field goal.

In a relatively quiet third quarter, Penn notched the only points of the period on a 38-yard field goal by Brian Lepisto. Late in the quarter, Princeton took possession at the Penn 42 and started to march. Toresco gained 23 yards on two carries to get Princeton to the Quaker 19. Terrell then completed three passes to Brendan Circle, the last being a five-yard scoring strike which put the Tigers ahead 24-10 with 14:55 remaining in regulation.

Penn, though, answered back as quarterback Irvin went to the air, hooking up on key pass plays to Nick Cisler, Lepisto, and Carre to help get the Quakers to the the Princeton one. The sophomore culminated the drive with a one-yard plunge as Penn drew to within 24-17.

Princeton stopped Penn on its next possession after Brig Walker forced a fumble which was recovered by Doori Song. The Tigers couldn't move the ball and punted to the Quakers.

Taking over at its own 31 after a 24-yard punt return by Greg Ambrogi, Penn started to march with former Hun School star Billy May playing a big role. The 6'3 senior wide receiver made three catches including a critical 29-yard play on fourth and 24 to help get Penn deep in Princeton territory. The Quakers capped the drive with a 16-yard touchdown pass from Irvin to Carre.

As the game headed into overtime, the Tigers weren't deflated by Penn's rally. "If you can't get yourself up for overtime, you shouldn't be playing football," said Toresco, who rushed for 66 yards on the day.

"I told Jeff and Brendan Circle and everyone that we're going to win this game. It's confidence and calm. It's the approach we've been using in every game, whether it's overtime or not."

Princeton will look to maintain that business-like approach as they head up to Yale in control of their title destiny. "This is what everyone has dreamed of," said Hughes, whose team succumbed to a late Yale rally last year as the Bulldogs edged Princeton 21-14 and effectively knocked the Tigers out of last year's title race.

"This is where we wanted this program to get to. I have no question that the guys will be focused on what they are doing. We have to make sure that we're not ready to play on Wednesday but ready on Saturday. I think this group is going to be so pumped up that we're going to have to calm them down a little bit."

Junior reserve quarterback Foran, who rushed for a career-high 84 yards on six carries last Saturday, believes the team will be pumped up.

"It's exciting, there is a lot at stake in that game," said Foran. "It's always fun to play a football game when there is stuff at stake; more people are there, more people care. It's more intense and more fun. The great thing is that there are a lot of smart players on this team who I would call heads-up players. When you have smart players, stuff happens sometimes."

Terrell and Toresco certainly proved that in producing a moment of divine improvisation that ultimately caught the attention of a nation.

—Bill Alden

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GUARDIAN

Buoyed by Last Winter's Late Surge, PU Men's Hoops Primed for Big Season

For the Princeton University men's basketball team, last winter was essentially a tale of two seasons.

In the first segment of the campaign, the Tigers hit rock bottom as they struggled to a 3-12 start, suffering the ignominy of the program's first-ever defeat to a Division III team when it fell 51-46 to Carnegie Mellon.

But sparked by the insertion of junior Justin Conway into the starting lineup and the superlative play of senior guard Scott Greenman down the stretch of his career, Princeton caught fire.

The Tigers won nine of their final 12 games, becoming a title contender in the Ivy League race, coming into the last weekend of the season with a shot at the crown.

While Princeton ended up second, it finished the season with a bang as it beat archrival and league champion Penn in a 60-59 overtime thriller to end up 12-15 overall and 10-4 in league play.

As the Tigers tip off their 2006-07 campaign this Friday by playing Loyola (Ill.) in the opening round of the 2006 SportsTime Ohio BCA Classic at the Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio, Princeton head coach Joe Scott hopes for a carryover from his team's late surge.

"Last year it was get worse, get worse at the beginning before we got better," said Scott at the program's annual media day last Monday. "Maybe what last year did for us is to put us in a position where we can get better right from the start."

Scott acknowledges that the loss of Greenman leaves a big void and he is looking to blue-chip freshman Marcus Schroeder to be good right from the start.

"What I like about him is that he doesn't play like a freshman," said Scott of the 6'2, 185 pound native of Concord, Calif. who helped De La Salle to a 32-1 record and a state championship as a senior. "He doesn't look like a freshman; he's strong and he has great stamina. Marcus is going to have a lot of responsibility."

Scott also plans to give minutes to other freshmen — 6'9 center Zach Finley and 6'3 guard Lincoln Gunn, a teammate of Schroeder's at De La Salle.

Sounding like a CEO, Scott is hoping that his veterans will help bring the freshmen along. "I'm hoping for synergy between the older guys and the younger guys, playing together and learning each other's games," said Scott, who is entering his third year at the helm of the program, having posted a 27-28 record in his first two seasons at his alma mater.

"Our older guys are really important in that, the better they do, the more consistent they are; the better the younger players will be."

The key older guy figures to be team captain Conway, who went from having played one minute in his career before last season to earning honorable mention All-Ivy honors.

"I'm looking for the same things as we saw last year," said Scott of the powerfully built 6'4, 215 pound Conway, who averaged 8.8 points a game last season.

"I expect him to be tough, I expect him to get us baskets in different ways. I want him to do what he did last year and just get a little better. I'd like him to shoot a little better; he's going to play some other positions."

Scott expects improvement from other veteran stalwarts like senior forward Luke Owings, former Hun School star and junior forward Noah Savage, and junior sharpshooter Kyle Koncz.

"Luke Owings has to play well; he has to play good post defense, rebound the basketball, get us four or five rebounds a game, and when he's open be a good three-point shooter," asserted Scott. "Noah Savage has to do the same thing, make open shots, rebound the ball, and play good defense. Kyle Koncz has to do the same thing."

While Scott acknowledged that the proud program, which has won 25 Ivy titles, is frustrated at not having won the league since 2003-04, he believes that the veterans can benefit from last year's rollercoaster.

"Disappointment doesn't mean you can't get better and that it won't make you stronger," asserted Scott, whose other key veterans are senior Edwin Buffmire, sophomore Michael Strittmatter, and junior Kevin Steuerer.

"Even last year, we put ourselves in a position to have a shot at the title. This group of the guys, with the exception of Greenman, these are the ones that did that. They can look back at last year and know that a little thing here and a little thing there was the difference between ultimate success."

As Princeton looks forward to the three-day, eight-team BCA Classic, the Tigers are going to need to learn some of those little things on the fly.

"We're not ready to play three games in three nights," said Scott. "We're ready to play a game Friday night, after that we'll see. For one game you can prepare with four or five days of practice. This weekend, when we come back on Saturday and Sunday, you have to rely on yourself, your wherewithal and your experience."

—Bill Alden

HAPPY WARRIOR: Princeton University men's basketball senior captain Justin Conway smiles last Monday as he goes through the program's annual media day. The Tigers are expecting big things from Conway, who went from being a little-used benchwarmer to an honorable mention All-Ivy League performer last winter. The insertion of Conway into the starting lineup helped spark a late surge which saw Princeton win nine of its last 12 games and climb to second in the Ivy standings. The Tigers tip off their 2006-07 campaign this Friday by playing Loyola (Ill.) in the opening round of the 2006 SportsTime Ohio BCA Classic, a three-day, eight-team event. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Princeton Women's Hoops Picking Up Tempo As It Aims to Build on Last Year's Success

Coming into last season, the Princeton University women's basketball team saw its biggest challenge at becoming competitive in the Ivy League.

The Tigers hadn't finished higher than fifth in the Ivy standings since the 1998-99 campaign when it tied for the crown.

Sparked by the production of Becky Brown and Meg Cowher up front and steady backcourt play from Katy O'Brien and Jessica Berry, Princeton had a breakthrough season last winter, going 12-2 in Ivy play to tie Dartmouth and Brown for the league title.

While Princeton eventually lost to Dartmouth in a NCAA play-in game, the Tigers' 21-7 season earned the program a newfound respect.

As the Tigers look forward to opening the 2006-07 season with a home game against Wagner this Saturday, Princeton head coach Richard Barron has a new challenge.

"We were still figuring out how to win the last couple of years," said Barron, speaking last Monday at the program's annual media day.

"Now we have to learn to deal with success. That's a whole other set of challenges; that's a better set of challenges."

Barron recently headed to Italy with the NBA's Phoenix Suns to pick up some tips to better help him deal with that challenge.

"I went over to Italy to spend a week at their training camp," said Barron, who is entering his sixth year guiding the program and has a 61-76 record during his Princeton tenure.

"I know one of their coaches (Marc Iavaroni) and I got to experience everything. I was included in on-court activities, all team meeting, coaches meetings, and film sessions."

Barron has brought a new offensive approach back home with him. "We're running a spread offense," explained Barron. "Last year we ran a high-low, efficient offense. It was a pretty slow, methodical offense trying to get the ball to Becky in the post. Our players held the ball and waited for the post to get open. We're going to try to increase the tempo this year."

In Barron's view, he has the interchangeable parts necessary to make such an approach successful. "We've got 17 kids on the roster; three or four years ago the coaches had to practice and they were some of the better players on the court," added Barron. "We've come a long way. We have some depth and we can use our bench pretty well."

The Tigers boast talent at both the forward and guard position. Up front, the key returner is Cowher, who averaged 14.6 points a game last year in earning first-team All-Ivy recognition. Others who will contribute in the front court include senior captain Casey Lockwood, juniors Ariel Rogers and Ali Prichard, sophomores Whitney Downs and Julia Berger, and freshman Elizabeth Pietrzak.

The Princeton backcourt will be led by sophomore point guard Jessica Berry, who dished for 147 assists last winter on the way to making the All-Ivy Rookie team. Also getting minutes at guard will be sophomore Caitlin O'Neill, freshman Jillian Schurle and junior Katy Digovich, who is returning to the team after a year away from school.

Based on the Tigers' preseason scrimmages against Temple and Villanova, Barron believes his team is making a good transition to the new run-and-gun system.

"Although we can't chart statistics at the scrimmages under NCAA rules, at times our offense looked very good," said Barron. "We are playing for runs. We had times in the scrimmages where we scored 14 or 15 points in five minutes. When you play at that speed, instinct starts to take over. You're not trying to think your way through the game, you're just reacting."

Barron is looking for his team to react well when it hosts Wagner. "I think that Saturday we will have some first game jitters," said Barron. "We have to make sure that we don't take Wagner for granted. They had a tough year last year; they only won a couple of games. The successful teams are the ones who understand how to prepare for every game."

If Princeton can take care of business on Saturday, it will be a first step in showing that it can handle prosperity.

—Bill Alden

ON POINT: Princeton University women's basketball head coach Richard Barron makes a point in a recent practice session. The Tigers tip off their 2006-07 season with a home game against Wagner on November 11. Princeton will be looking to build on the success it experienced last year as it went 21-7 overall and 12-2 in Ivy League play, tying tor the league title.

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COMMAND PERFORMANCE: Princeton University women's volleyball star Lindsay Ensign, center, blasts the ball in Princeton's 3-0 win over Brown last Saturday. Sophomore middle hitter Ensign had a team-high 17 kills as the Tigers prevailed 30-22, 30-28, 30-20. The victory improved Princeton to 19-2 overall and 9-2 in Ivy League play. The Tigers are currently second in the Ivy race, trailing Cornell (10-2 Ivy). In upcoming action, Princeton plays at Columbia on November 10 and at Cornell on November 11. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

PU Women's Soccer Ends On High Note

Sparked by a big day from freshman Lauren Thomas, the Princeton University women's soccer team topped visiting Penn 2-0 last Saturday.

Thomas scored two goals as the Tigers won its fourth straight game to finish with a final record of 8-7-1 overall and 3-4 in Ivy League.

The Tigers didn't give up a goal in the last 393:13 of the season as the program posted its 10th straight winning season. Princeton goalie Maren Dale recorded five saves in the victory which left the Tigers fifth in the Ivy standings.

Tiger Men's Soccer Falls to Penn in Finale

Failing to finish off its chances, the Princeton University men's soccer team fell 1-0 in overtime to visiting Penn last Saturday in its season finale.

The Tigers generated 14 shots in the contest but couldn't find the back of the net. Princeton concludes its season with a 6-8-2 overall record and 1-5-1 in Ivy League play. The Tigers finished seventh in the Ivy standings.

Tiger Men's Hockey Falls to Union in OT

Despite a big day from Lee Jubinville, the Princeton University men's ice hockey team fell 4-3 to Union in overtime last Saturday.

Jubinville notched two goals with Grant Goeckner-Zoeller adding the other as Princeton dropped to 0-3-1 overall and 0-2 in ECAC Hockey League play

In upcoming action, the Tigers play at St. Lawrence on November 10 and at Clarkson on November 11.

PU Women's Hockey Remains Unbeaten

Lizzie Keady helped lead the way as the Princeton University women's hockey team beat Yale 3-1 last Sunday.

Junior star Keady tallied a goal and an assist while goalie Kristen Young made 24 saves as the Tigers improved to 4-0-2.

Princeton will next be in action when it hosts Union on November 10 and Rensselaer on November 11.

PAIGE-TURNER: Princeton University field hockey star Paige Schmidt races up the field in Princeton's recent win over Harvard. Last Saturday, Schmidt scored the game-winning goal as Princeton beat Penn 2-1 in overtime. The victory improved Princeton to 11-6 overall and 7-0 in Ivy League play. The Tigers were slated to find out on November 7 their assignment for the NCAA tournament, which starts this weekend. Schmidt already got big news this week as she was named the Ivy League Player ot the Year tor the second year in a row. Tiger treshman Kaitlyn Perrelle was chosen as the Rookie ot the Year. Senior Allison Nemeth and sophomore Holly McGarvie and Sarah Reinprecht joined Schmidt as First-Team All-Ivy selections.

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Stuart Field Hockey Battles to Last Minute But Falls 1-0 to Lawrenceville in Prep Final

For over two months and 19 games this fall, the Stuart Country Day field hockey team has been a juggernaut.

Coming into last Sunday's state Prep championship game against visiting Lawrenceville, top-seeded Stuart was 18-0-1, having won the Mercer County Tournament (MCT) title along the way.

For 59 minutes last Sunday, the Stuart express was on track as the Tartans engaged Lawrenceville in a fierce battle that saw the teams head into the last minute of regulation locked in a scoreless tie with overtime apparently on the horizon. But then Lawrenceville got two penalty corners and Alyse Ruff converted on the second to put the Big Red ahead 1-0.

True to its fighting spirit, Stuart responded by making one last rush down the field but the Tartans were ultimately thwarted as they fell short of a title double by that Ruff goal.

Afterward, the Stuart players gathered near their bench, comforting each other with hugs as tears flowed in the wake of the team's only defeat in a campaign that saw it break the program record for wins in a season.

With reddened eyes, Stuart senior star Liz Colicchio managed a smile as she reflected on the magnitude of Stuart's effort last Sunday and all fall long.

"We just went out and played as hard as we possibly could," said Colicchio. "We tried our hardest and we have no regrets, specially the seniors. Everyone played their best game. I think every game, especially this year, we played our absolute hardest."

The senior class played a pivotal role as Stuart won its second straight MCT championship and advanced to its second straight Prep title game.

"Megan [Fitzpatrick], Kelly [Bruvik], and I have been together forever, our whole lives," said Colicchio. "Eleanor [Hayes-Larson] came in freshman year. We were four-year varsity players. We play club together, we do everything together. Our cohesiveness has grown so much in four years. I don't think we could get any better at playing together."

That cohesion came in handy Sunday as Stuart worked hard to break down a smothering Lawrenceville defense. "They are big, there is no other way to say it," said Colicchio.

"It was tough for us to break them down but our stick passing was really good. We tried our hardest to pass around them but they are a skilled team. We're both highly skilled teams up against each other. It was a battle of smarts and a battle of skills."

Stuart head coach Missy Bruvik lauded the high level of play exhibited by both teams. "It's a tough way to go out but if it's going to end, it definitely ended with a great game," said Bruvik, whose team lost 2-1 to Lawrenceville in the 2005 Prep final.

"I thought both teams played super. There was a lot of skill and talent out there on both sides. There was great teamwork on both sides."

Stuart drew on its teamwork as it put pressure on Lawrenceville in the second half. "I thought their defense was good but we broke it down enough times; we created scoring opportunities," said Bruvik, whose team generated eight penalty corners in the second half with two shots coming off of those opportunities. "They have great speed and a lot of power."

In Bruvik's view, her players shouldn't dwell on the defeat but on the journey it went on to once again get the opportunity to play for the Prep title.

"We had a great season; I think that's what the kids should reflect on," said Bruvik. "It's about the other stuff as well like term bonding. I thought they bonded beautifully together."

That bond helped the Tartans maintain its high level excellence, which has seen the program set a record for wins in each of the last three years as it posted 17 victories in 2004 and 2005 before winning 18 this season.

"We were able to do that three years in a row," asserted Bruvik. "I think that is a tribute to the seniors and the commitment of all the kids to want to improve every year and have that kind of intensity throughout the season."

Bruvik acknowledged that her core of seniors brought a special intensity to the program. "They took it to a new level," added Bruvik, whose daughter, Kelly, put together one of the greatest careers in program history.

"They moved up with their experience and definitely set a standard for next year's team. They leave the program in great shape. I think the sophomores and juniors coming back will be up for the challenge."

Colicchio, for her part, credited Coach Bruvik with holding she and her classmates to some high standards. "I just learned so much from Mrs. Bruvik," said Colicchio.

"I learned from the way she handles things. She never yells, she is always calm. She has a good head on her shoulders. She has taught us everything from sportsmanship to skills; we have learned things in sports that carry over into life."

Colicchio and her fellow seniors, in turn, taught their teammates what it means to fight to the last minute.

—Bill Alden

SEEING RED: Stuart Country Day junior defender Jenae Harrington shows her disappointment as the Lawrenceville field hockey team celebrates after edging Stuart 1-0 last Sunday in the state Prep final. The loss to the Big Red left Stuart with a final record of 18-1-1.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

BATTLE LINES: Stuart Country Day senior Eleanor Hayes-Larson, foreground, fights a Lawrenceville player for possession last Sunday in the state Prep final as teammate Liz Colicchio looks on. Stuart fell 1-0 to Lawrenceville on a last-minute goal to suffer its only defeat of the season. The Tartans, who won the Mercer County Tournament in late October, posted an 18-1-1 mark, setting a program record for most wins in a season.

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Michael Lynch and his teammates on the Princeton High boys' soccer team entered the postseason with high hopes.

Having lost only two games in regular season play, PHS earned the No. 3 seed in the Mercer County Tournament. The Little Tigers cruised through the first two rounds only to drop a heartbreaking 1-0 decision to eventual champion Hun in the semis.

The defeat prompted some soul-searching on the part of PHS as it looked forward to the state tournament.

"We had that tough loss to Hun in the MCT and we talked about it," recalled Lynch, a senior defender and team co-captain.

"We saw the state tournament as our redemption. We had it all set that we wanted the MCT title. When you get deprived of something, that makes you hungrier."

Getting seeded third in the Central Jersey Group III sectional, the Little Tigers didn't waste any time devouring Neptune in the opening round as they cruised to a 5-1 win.

Last Friday, PHS utilized a stifling defense and some opportunistic finishing to blank visiting Hopewell Valley 2-0, the sectional's No. 6 seed.

The game was knotted at 0-0 at the half before Javier Ramirez scored on a penalty kick and then added a scintillating tally as he banged home a Kyle DeBlois feed.

The win advanced the Little Tigers to a sectional semifinal clash at second-seeded Long Branch slated for November 7 with winner advancing to the final on November 10.

In reflecting on the win over the Bulldogs, Lynch took pride in the team's defensive effort. "I think we did great defensively," asserted Lynch. "The outside backs were real tight on their guys. We had a little trouble in the middle in the beginning but coach made some adjustments and things worked out pretty well."

Even though PHS went into the half in a scoreless tie, Lynch was confident that the team would eventually come through.

"There was no concern," said Lynch. 'We just said that we're getting the opportunities and we need to connect. In the first half, we looked fine defensively. We just needed to put the ball in the net; that was it."

Lynch and his classmates on the team weren't about to let PHS get eliminated in what may be the last home game of their careers.

"It means a lot to all of the seniors," added Lynch, whose fellow seniors on the squad include MacDonald, co-captain Peter Miller, Casey Rahn, Jason Barber, and Alex Filipiak. "In a sport like soccer, you start at such a young age and this is what you play for. It's great because all of the seniors feel the same way I do."

PHS head coach Wayne Sutcliffe felt great about the way his team played defensively in the win over HoVal.

"I'm so proud that we got a shutout today," said a smiling Sutcliffe. "We hadn't had a shutout in several games. The guys in the back, specifically Peter McInerney, Rahn, Filipiak, and Lynch did a great job. Ari Silver did a great job on their best player. Barber played well in goal."

Sutcliffe cited Lynch as a catalyst both last Friday and all season long. "He has been a great captain, a great leader," maintained Sutcliffe, whose team improved to 14-3 on the season with the victory over HoVal.

"He has come up so big in terms of being able to stabilize us. He plays the ball, gets his head up and gets the ball out quickly. I can't say enough about his efforts."

Sutcliffe agreed that the loss to Hun in the MCT helped focus his team's efforts coming into state play.

"We're in two tournaments and we want to win two tournaments," asserted Sutcliffe. "You get bumped out of one in a tough way and it motivates you to do better in the next one. All the cards were on the table with this one."

With his core of seniors, Sutcliffe likes the way his team has dealt with the early stages of the state tourney.

"At this point in the season, experience is such a big factor," said Sutcliffe. "Our guys are emotionally ready. The seniors are really determined. They were disappointed with the results last year. I couldn't ask any more from them."

Lynch, for his part, believes the seniors have brought a special intensity to this year's state competition. "Last year it was tough, we lost a couple of close ones and we kind of died out at midseason," said Lynch.

"This year it seems like every game, the snowball is rolling and we get hungrier and hungrier. There is lot on the line and we just get more amped. We want to finish with a bang and no regrets."

—Bill Alden

ALL CLEAR: Princeton High senior defender and co-captain Michael Lynch, right, clears the ball in action earlier this season. Last Friday, Lynch helped spearhead a superb defensive effort as third-seeded PHS blanked No. 6 Hopewell Valley 2-0 last Friday the second round of the Central Jersey Group III sectional.

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FINISHING KICK: Princeton High sophomore star Sam Kotowski, left, races to the goal in a game earlier this season. The Little Tigers, who improved 14-3 with a 2-0 win over Hopewell Valley last Friday in the Central Jersey Group III sectional, were slated to play in sectional semifinal clash at Long Branch on November 7. If third-seeded PHS can topple No. 2 Long Branch, it would advance to the final on November 10.

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PHS Football Tops Trenton on Senior Day As Emotion Helps it Overcome Fatigue

Fatigue and soreness could have been issues for the Princeton High football team as it hosted Trenton last Saturday in its regular season finale.

Due to a rainout, PHS had been forced to play at WW/P-S the Monday before, having just a few days to recover from a 28-7 loss to the Pirates in a slugfest typical of that spirited rivalry.

But by kickoff last Saturday, the Little Tigers had the kind of inspiration that gets the adrenaline pumping and wipes out any weariness.

"The kids rarely talk about the newspapers much but they were upset that everyone was picking Trenton," said PHS head coach Steve Everette.

"It was our senior day and everyone wanted to end things on a high note. Then Trenton got off the bus and their people were yelling this is 'our house.'"

Fuelled by that emotion, the Little Tigers broke the game open in the second half. Leading by 7-6 entering the third quarter, PHS built the lead up to 20-6 on two touchdowns by senior star Alexz Henriques, one via a five-yard scoring gallop and the other on a three-yard TD reception.

When the Tornadoes closed the gap to 20-14, the PHS defense stiffened, making several key stops. Henriques then put the game out of reach with a 56-yard scoring jaunt that pushed the final margin to 27-14.

While Everette had plenty of respect for Trenton, he thought his team was more than up for the challenge.

"Trenton is the most athletic team in the CVC and one of the biggest, you're always concerned about them," said Everette, whose club improved to 4-5 with the win. "I was pretty confident with the way we have been playing defense the last few weeks."

Having Henrlques in the backfield certainly gave Everette plenty of confidence. The 5'10, 175-pound Henriques gained 118 yards rushing last Saturday with three touchdowns.

"Goodness, gracious," said Everette with a laugh when asked to assess what his star running back has brought to the table this season.

"I haven't said that much about him to this point, some of the others have been positioning their players to be conference player of the year. He passed 1,000 yards rushing for the season on Saturday, he had two huge kickoff returns and he had 70 yards receiving. Nobody does as much for his team."

Everette, though, will tell you that Henriques' contribution this fall hasn't been limited to yards and touchdowns.

"He is a great leader," added Everette. "He was frustrated at the start of the season but he never put his head down. He's a high-energy kid. He runs hard at practice and still has a lot of laughs. It's hard for anyone to get down when they are a guy like that."

Indeed, the Little Tigers have never put their heads down collectively as they have fought back from a discouraging 0-4 start to win four of their last five games.

"The offensive line really came through," said Everette in assessing his team's turnaround. "The kids started to compete at practice. We put two sophomores into the line (Tom Hines and Joe Giacalone) and that raised the level of competitiveness."

A huge factor has also been the leadership of Henriques and his fellow seniors Johnny Mitko, Sascha Hopson, Elliot Schreffler, and Tyler Moni.

"Even when we were 0-4, they were always positive," recalled Everette, whose team will finish the 2006 season with a NJSIAA consolation contest when they host Long Branch this Saturday. "They didn't miss any practices; it would have been easy for them to make excuses. That class had the highest expectations on them; everyone was saying 'you're going to make the playoffs.' When things didn't start well, they didn't get down on their coaches, teammates, or themselves."

In Everette's view, the way the seniors have handled themselves will leave a positive legacy that should help the program down the line.

"They taught lessons to the younger guys; they showed them how to hang in there," asserted Everette. "The younger guys were saying Saturday that we've got to win this for the seniors."

—Bill Alden

TORNAOO WATCH: Princeton High senior running back Alexz Henriques races past a Trenton High defender last Saturday in PHS' 27-14 win over the Tornadoes. With the Little Tigers celebrating Senior Oay, Henriques made his home finale memorable as he rushed for 118 yards and scored three touchdowns. The win improved PHS to 4-5, giving the Little Tigers their fourth win in their last five outings. PHS concludes its 2006 season with a NJSIAA consolation contest at Long Branch this Friday.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Redding Provides Inspiration in Finale As PHS Girls' Soccer Falls in Sectional

A tear still hovered on her cheek but Merle Redding managed to smile.

While the Princeton High senior defender was disappointed that her career ended last Thursday with a heartbreaking 1-0 loss at top-seeded Freehold Boro High in the Central Jersey Group III quarterfinals, she lauded the efforts of her younger teammates in trying to keep the season alive.

"I'm so proud of them, they tried so hard," said Redding, with her voice cracking. "These girls were pushing us seniors through, they wanted us to play one one more round; we came so close."

Bringing a ninth-seed into its battle with once-beaten Freehold, PHS showed early on that it was not going to be intimidated. Although Freehold dominated possession early on, Redding and the Little Tigers grimly repelled each advance by the highly-rated Patriots. With PHS junior goalie Mary McNutt making several critical saves, the Little Tigers' defense gained more and more confidence as the first half went on and the teams went into halftime deadlocked in a scoreless stalemate.

In the second half, the PHS offense started finding a rhythm as it utilized some pinpoint passing to put together several effective attacks. Unfortunately, a Freehold counterattack produced the game's only tally as Alyssa Mayrose fought through a scramble in front of the net and skipped a shot past McNutt with 12:30 left in regulation.

The valiant Little Tigers, though, showed no desire to quit as they repeatedly pressed forward, generating several good scoring opportunities. The best chance for PHS came in the waning moments of the contest when a Hannah Deming volley hit the top of the cross bar and Carly Edgcomb just missed banging the rebound home.

After the final whistle blew, an emotionally and physically spent PHS squad gathered by its bench and exchanged hugs and tears. During the team's post-game huddle, the PHS coaches applauded as they gave the players a mini-ovation in recognition of their gutsy performance.

Redding, for her part, said the Little Tigers brought a nothing-to-lose attitude onto the pitch. "If you don't want to leave it all on the field, don't get on it, that was basically our mindset," asserted Redding.

"We left it all on the field and played with such heart because we didn't want to let it end. We knew we had to risk it all; risk your body, risk your soul, risk crying."

PHS has exemplified that kind of commitment all season as it has produced a remarkable turnaround, ending up with a 10-7-1 record after having gone a disappointing 4-11 in 2005.

"In the beginning we had some doubts," said Redding in reflecting on the team's progress. "It was a fairly new group of girls. We had some freshmen on the field and they really stepped it up. We just went into every game playing like it was our last game. "

In Redding's view, junior goalie McNutt stepped it up the most in the Freehold game.

"That's the best I've ever seen her, in a practice or a game," asserted Redding of the keeper who made nine saves on the afternoon. "I'm so proud of her. I didn't know she had it in her to make some of those great saves."

PHS head coach Greg Hand was certainly proud of what Redding brought to the table on Thursday and all season long.

"Merle is an inspiration to the whole team," said Hand. "She had a classic state tournament moment. She blocked a ball and was down on her knees and then blocked a ball with her ankle. That moment shows a lot; she always gives 100 percent.

Hand got a 100 percent effort across the board in his team's battle with the Patriots. "Freehold is very talented but our girls fought them every step of the way," said Hand. "It's a credit to the CVC teams we played and Pennington; they taught us some lessons about perseverance."

In Hand's view, the team's growth in character this fall was as heartening as its improved skill level. "I think we came a long way in terms of the soccer we played," added Hand. "Equally important was the mentality and heart that developed."

With such returning players as McNutt, Edgcomb, Deming, Olivia Johnston, Emma Karp, Hannah Davis, and Chantal Celestin, the future looks bright for the Little Tigers.

"I trust that everybody is going to work hard to be a better player on the first day of practice next year than they are today," said Hand. "The one thing they can walk off the field with today is to understand that they showed themselves they belonged here. They won't forget that."

Redding, for her part, won't soon forget this fall and the superb effort that culminated the season.

"When I think about this season, I'm going to think about spirit, family, heart, and commitment," said Redding. "I'm going to think about bloodshed and how we battled this team today and put our all into it."

No PHS player, though, gave more than Redding as she ended her superb career with a performance to remember.

—Bill Alden

LAST DANCE: Princeton High senior defender Merle Redding gains possession of the ball in action earlier this season. Last Thursday, Redding gave her all, sparking a tenacious defensive effort as ninth-seeded PHS fell 1-0 at Top-seeded Freehold Boro in Central Jersey Group III quarterfinals. The loss left the Little Tigers with a 10-7-1 record, a marked improvement on the 4-11 mark they posted in 2005.

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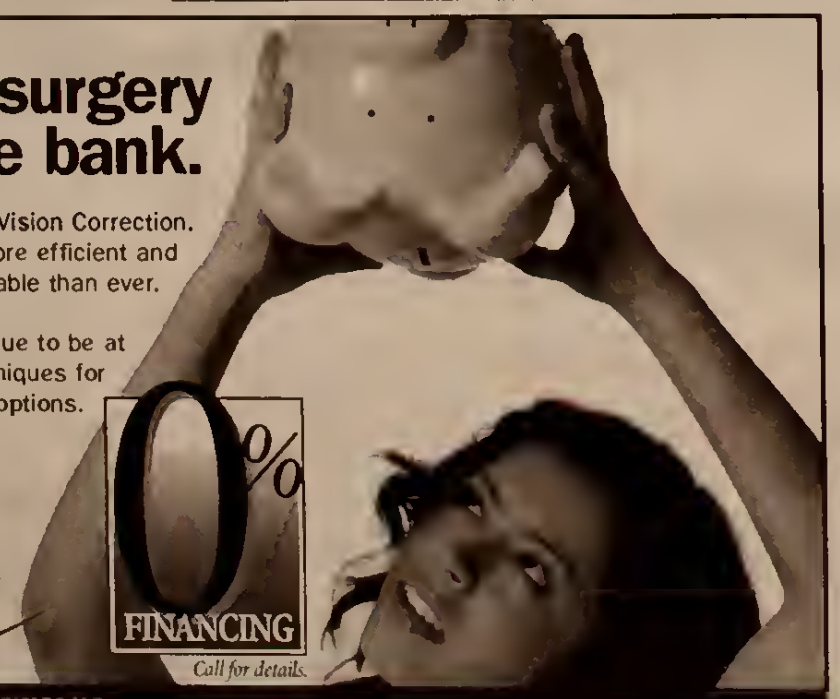

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Senior QB Davis Provided Key Leadership As Hun Football Went Undefeated in MAPL

It couldn't get any better for Shane Davis.

As the sun went down last Friday, the senior quarterback for the Hun School grasped a bottle of sparkling cider and smiled broadly as he lingered on Natale Family Field.

Minutes earlier, Davis and his teammates had sprayed the cider on each other as they celebrated their 30-0 win over Hill which improved Hun to 6-2 and clinched a 5-0 season in Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) play.

As he reflected on the team's home finale, Davis said that it was a day of deep emotion.

"There was a lot of inspiration for this game," said Davis, who passed for three touchdowns to help spark the victory.

"This is the last time we'll get to play on this field as a team. I'm going to miss being on the field with these guys. There is no other way I'd want to end on this field. They are a great bunch of guys."

The win was even sweeter considering that Hun had gone a disappointing 4-5 in 2005 as it failed to defend the MAPL title it had won the year before.

In assessing what had made the difference this fall, Davis pointed to senior leadership. "I think this year we had more leadership from guys who were actual seniors," asserted Davis.

"A lot of the leadership last year fell to people who were new to the team. This year we have people like [Randy] Mershon, [Matt] Cortina, [Kevin] Gallagher, [Brian] Wills and me who have been here for four years and come up through the program."

In Davis' view, Hun served notice in its opening game 7-6 win over Worcester Academy that it had deep reserves of character.

"In the final drive of that game, we probably ran 10 running plays in a row," recalled Davis. 'We were just pounding the other team and you could tell that we weren't going to be the kind of team that was going to quit. We drained the clock on that last drive and the other team had guys that were throwing up."

Davis's move to quarterback from linebacker has helped keep the Hun offense on track. "I played linebacker last year because the team needed me there; that wasn't my natural position," said Davis.

"Now the team needed me to play at quarterback; that's what I've been my whole life. It's been a transition but it's more like getting used to what I've always done rather than trying to learn something new like when I played linebacker."

Davis's transition has been eased by Hun's superb line which has been at the foundation of the team's success this fall.

"Our line is amazing," said Davis. "They are big and they don't get tired. They are all phenomenal athletes who happen to be 270 pounds. If they were smaller, they'd be running backs. They make everybody's job easier."

Hun head coach Dave Dudeck said that his group of seniors had made his job a lot easier. "It's a great class," asserted a hoarse Dudeck with a smile.

"It's a special group of kids, they have helped us bond together so well. They helped us become so tight as a team."

A key figure in Hun's Class of 2007 has been Davis. "He is a great leader; the kids really rally around him," asserted Dudeck, whose club finishes the season with a non-league contest at Trinity Pawling on November 11.

"He's been in the program for four years. He has a good head on his shoulders. He's a true athlete and when you get into a competitive event he knows how to perform."

Hun has also gotten a dominating performance from its defense all fall. "They are phenomenal," said Dudeck, whose team gave up a total of just 33 points in its five MAPL games and posted two shutouts in league play.

"The whole staff takes the time to break down film and really gets a game plan. We understand what we have to do against a specific team. The kids go to film and learn about the other team. I think it's a combination of talent, scheme, and preparation."

In Dudeck's view, his squad's sum is greater than its parts "They were truly a team and that's why they are champions," said Dudeck.

"It doesn't matter who scored the touchdowns or who gets the ball or who makes the tackles. Even the guys that don't play as much come out and practice hard and do the best they can do whether its being the scout team or whatever."

While the strong-armed Davis may have wanted to pass the ball more, he had no problem handing the ball if that's what led to a title.

"I just had my second, third and fourth touchdown passes of the year but I don't have anything bad to say," said Davis.

"We're the MAPL champs. If a championship meant that we had to run the ball with Kenny [Howard] and give the ball to Austin [Sylvester] and pound people, I'm fine with that. The whole team feels the same way and the only thing that matters is to have more points than the other team at the end."

—Bill Alden

UNDER WRAPS: Hun School post-graduate star Austin Sylvester, left, wraps up a Peddie ballcarrier in the Hun's 14-0 win over the Falcons last month. Sylvester's play at linebacker and tullback has played a key role in Hun's success this tall. The Raiders, now 6-2 overall and 5-0 in Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) play, conclude their season by playing at Trinity Pawling on November 11.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

LOCKED AND LOADED: Hun School senior quarterback Shane Davis prepares to pass in Hun's recent 14-0 win over Peddie. Last Friday, Oavis fired three touchdown passes to help Hun to a 30-0 win over visiting Hill. The win improves the Raiders to 6-2 overall and clinched a 5-0 season in Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) play. Hun is 13-2 in MAPL games over the last three seasons, taking the title twice in that period.

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Hun Girls' Soccer Goes Down Fighting In Loss to Lawrenceville in Prep Semis

With the Hun School girls' soccer team and Lawrenceville deadlocked at 2-2 in the first overtime of the state Prep A semifinals last Wednesday, Hun senior stars Lindsey Scott and Val Patriarca displayed their hunger to make it to a championship game.

Racing down the field in tandem midway through the first extra session, Scott took a pass from Patriarca and tried to slot the ball home. Scott was knocked to the field as the ball bounced off a Lawrenceville player. Hustling after the loose ball, Patriarca flew to the ground as she tried to get control of the ball.

With Scott and Patriarca lying prone on the field, Hun junior Melissa Marino blasted a shot that would have ended the contest but for a remarkable running save by Big Red goalie Adelaide Gay.

NO FEAR: Hun School junior star Melissa Marino races up the field in action earlier this season. Last Wednesday, Marino's aggressive play was a spark as she and her teammates put up a good fight but came up just short in a 3-2 overtime loss to Lawrenceville in the state Prep A semis.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Scott and Patriarca did get up but Hun ended up getting knocked out as a Becky Brown goal with 7:13 remaining in the second overtime sent Lawrenceville in the title game where they fell to Pennington.

In reflecting on what his seniors gave him in their state tourney finale, Hun head coach Ken Stevenson shook his head with a knowing smile.

"I told them to leave everything on the field and have no regrets," said Stevenson, whose core of seniors also includes Claire Halliday, Elizabeth Marino, and Natalie Grimsley. "I think they did that. They wanted it so badly; it's going to be a quiet bus ride home."

Hun certainly didn't start the game quietly as each player gave her all from the opening whistle. The Raiders were on the attack most of the first 20 minutes as they controlled possession.

With 27:32 left in the hall, Scott cashed in on that possession as she found the back of the net after a Hun corner to put the Raiders in the lead 1-0. Less than 10 minutes later, Scott scored again as she took a Patriarca pass and blasted it past the Lawrenceville keeper to give Hun a 2-0 advantage.

The Big Red answered back as Bernadette Da Costa curled in a free kick that slipped over the head of Hun goalie Mary DiPastina to cut the Hun margin in half.

Hun started the second half with that 2-1 lead but it didn't last long as Lawrenceville's Becky Brown slotted in a goal in the first minutes of the second half. After reeling for a few minutes in the wake of that goal, the Raiders regained their composure and shape on defense and made several effective counterattacks. With six minutes remaining in regulation, Hun came within a whisker of regaining the lead as Scott took a Melissa Marino pass and shot it just over the net.

DiPastina came up with some good stops to help force the game into overtime but Brown proved to be too much as she came through in the end.

Stevenson, for his part, was not surprised by how quickly his team got out of the gate. "We had a week off from our last game and we talked about coming out hard," said Stevenson. "We were hoping they were looking past us and I think they were a little bit."

Although Hun ultimately didn't hold on to the lead it built up in the early stages of the contest, Stevenson had no qualms with his players' commitment.

"I just said how proud I am of them," said Stevenson, when asked what he said to his players in his postgame huddle. "I told them before the overtime, I don't care what happens because you've played so well."

In Stevenson's view, his group of seniors which also included Juilanne Marino sidelined in midseason due to a knee injury, is leaving a special legacy.

"It is definitely appropriate to recognize how much the seniors have given us," said Stevenson, whose team edged Hill 2-1 last Friday to end the season with an 8-5-2 record.

"They have been with the program for four years and they've gotten us on a higher level. They've definitely raised the expectations. No longer do our girls fear a team like this; it will help us down the line."

—Bill Alden

FRESH IDEAS: Hun School girls' soccer head coach Ken Stevenson imparts some wisdom to goalkeeper Mary DiPastina during a game earlier in the season. Stevenson enjoyed a successful debut in his first season at the helm of the program, guiding the Raiders to an 8-5-2 record and the state Prep A semis.

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Field Hockey: Lyndsey Natale had a goal but it wasn't enough as Hun fell 3-1 to visiting Hill last Friday in its season finale. Raider goalie Sarah Dileo recorded 10 saves as Hun finished the season with a 5-10-4 record.

Girls' Tennis: Hun cruised to a 6-1 win over visiting Hill last Friday in its last match of the season. The win left the Raiders with a final record of 10-1.

Lawrenceville

Footbatt: Anthony Rotio and Devon Ramsey led the way as Lawrenceville edged visiting Choate 21-17 last Sunday. Rotio scored touchdowns on a 14-yard fumble recovery and a 32-yard run while Ramsey's 12-yard scoring jaunt provided the margin of victory. Lawrenceville, now 4-4, concludes its season by playing Hill on November 11 at Dell Field.

Girls' Soccer: A goal by Becky Brown was not enough as Lawrenceville dropped a 2-1 overtime heartbreaker at Pennington last Sunday in the state Prep A championship game. Lawrenceville goalie Adelaide Gay helped keep the game close as she recorded 12 saves. Lawrenceville, now 6-5-1, finishes the season by playing at Hill on November 11.

PDS

Footbatl: PDS' final game of the season against St. Joseph's of the Palisades was cancelled, leaving the Panthers with a final record of 1-6.

Cross Country: The Panthers concluded their season by competing in the state Prep championship meet last Wednesday at Blairstown. The PDS boys placed seventh in the state Prep B team standings while the Panther girls placed 10th in the Prep A meet.

PHS

Boys' Cross Country: Jeff Wray and Dan Cavallaro led the the way as the Little Tigers took fifth in the Central Jersey Group III sectional championship meet last Saturday at Thompson Park in Lincroft. Wray finished 13th in the individual standings with a time of 17:11 on the 3.1 mile course while Cavallaro took 15th in 17:12. The Little Tigers will compete this Saturday in the Group III state meet in Holmdel.

Girls' Cross Country: Molly Lynch and Mina Juhn came up big as PHS placed second in the Central Jersey Group III sectional championship meet last Saturday at Thompson Park in Lincroft. Lynch was third in the individual standings, clocking a time of 20:09 over the 3.1 mile course. Juhn finished 10th in 20:41. PHS is next in action when it competes this Saturday in the Group III state meet at Holmdel.

Stuart

Cross Country: Freshman star Alex Passano capped a superb debut season in style as she took the individual title in the state Prep B championship meet last Wednesday. Passano covered the 3.1 mile course at Blairstown in a time of 22:33, some 21 seconds ahead of the runner-up, Laura Smith of Ranney. The Tartans placed fourth in the team standings.

NEAR MISS: Princeton Day School senior star Nina Croose, left, battles for the ball in a game earlier this fall. Last Wednesday, Croose and the Panthers fell 1-0 to Stuart Country Day in the state Prep semifinals. The loss left PDS with a final record of 13-5-1. (Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

FINAL PUSH: Hun School junior star Matt Florio dribbles the ball up the field in action earlier this fall. Last Sunday, Florio and his teammates put up a good fight as they fell 4-0 to St. Benedict's, the nation's top-ranked team, in the state Prep A final. The loss left the Raiders with a glittering final record of 15-3-1. (Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

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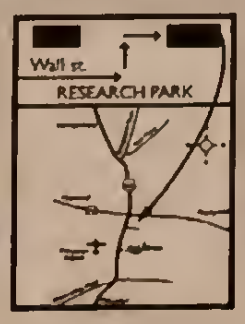

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Local Sports

Dillon Youth Hoops Sign-Up Underway

The Dillon Youth Basketball League is currently accepting registrations from those interested in playing in the program this winter.

The league, which is now in its 36th straight year, is open to boys and girls in grades 4-9 who live in Princeton or go to school in Princeton.

Dillon Basketball is a cooperative effort between the Princeton Recreation Department and Princeton University. All of the volunteer coaches in the program are Princeton students and the games are held at the Dillon Gym on the school's campus. Each team practices one night per week and plays one Saturday game per week at Dillon Gym on the campus of Princeton University. Practices begin the week of November 27 and games begin on December 2.

Started in the fall of 1971, the Dillon League has offered a recreational basketball outlet to thousands of Princeton children. In 2005/06, there were 358 participants.

The registration fee is $60 per child for Princeton residents and $120 for nonresidents that attend school in Princeton. For registration forms and more information, log onto the Rec Department website at www.princetonrecreation.com or contact Ben Stentz via phone at (609) 921-9480 or via e-mail at stentz@princeton-township.nj.us

Patriots Baseball Edged by Hamilton

The Princeton Patriots 13-and-under travel baseball team fell 3-2 to rival Hamilton Bulls last Saturday.

Patriot pitchers Gordon Smith and Clay Alter limited the Bulls to four hits while the defense was outstanding as it turned in three double plays. Alter also paced the offense with two hits, while Philip Pecora, Mike Poole, and Gordon Smith each chipped in one hit.

The Patriots ended the regular season at 5-2, advancing to the league playoffs which start Saturday.

Princeton Special Sports Holding Hoops Sign-Up

Princeton Special Sports (PSS), a program which provides youth sports programs to special needs children ages 4 through high school, is now registering players for its winter basketball season.

PSS basketball plays on Sundays from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. from January 7 through March 18 at Princeton locations to be announced once registration is finalized. The season fee is $50. PSS also offers full and partial scholarships.

For more information and to download a 2007 Player Registration Form, please go to www.princetonspecialsports.com, e-mail pss@patmedia.net, or call Deborah Martin Norcross at (609) 249-5860. The registration deadline is November 30.

High school students interested in becoming a PSS Buddy, should e-mail pss@patmedia.net or call Ann Diver at (609) 924-0441.

Piranhas Swimming Off to Strong Start

The Princeton Piranhas, a USA swim team which practices at John Witherspoon School, performed well as it competed in a season-opening meet late last month at DeNunzio Pool.

Piranha standouts included Carly Gurick in the 13-14 girls, who came in third in the 500 freestyle, sixth in the 100 butterfly, and eighth in the 200 backstroke. Skye Kuseryk finished seventh in the 200 breast stroke. In the 13-14 boys, Douglas McCord finished third in the 400 individual medley, fourth in the 200 IM, fifth in the 100 fly, and eighth in the 200 backstroke.

Piranha swimmers also excelled in the 15-and-over category. Katie Meirs finished second in the 500 free, fourth in the 200 IM, fifth in the 100 free, seventh in the 200 breast, and eighth in the 200 free. Gina Grabowski also performed well as she finished fourth in the 200 breast and eighth in the 200 IM.

The 15-and-over boys saw Andrew Butler swim to a fifth place finish in the 200 free, sixth in the 200 breast, seventh in the 400 IM and eighth in the 500 free. Jordan Lieberman of Princeton finished second in the 200 back, fourth in the 200 fly, and eighth in the 100 back, while his brother, Jesse, was eighth in the 200 IM. Greg Fat contributed a fifth place finish in the 200 back while Brandon Hullings took sixth place in the 200 fly.

Rec Department Offers High School Hoops

The Princeton Recreation Department is offering a recreation basketball program for boys and girls in grades 10-12 on Sundays, beginning December 3.

The program will run for ten weeks from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the John Witherspoon Middle School gym. The program will be run as an open-gym initially and then teams will be formed if necessary as the program grows. Basketballs will be provided.

Registration will be $20 per student for the ten-week session. This program is open to all Princeton High School students as well as students that attend private schools located in Princeton.

Registration forms are available at the Recreation Department office or by downloading them via the Rec Department website at www.princetonrecreation.com.

For more information, visit the Rec Department website at www.princetonrecreation.com, or contact Ben Stentz by e-mail at stentz@princeton-township.nj.us, or via phone at (609) 921-9480.

PHS Baseball Players Offer Raking Services

The Princeton High School baseball team is raising money to fund its spring 2007 Florida baseball trip by raking yard leaves.

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The **Master Gardeners of Mercer County** will host a program titled "You Too Can Grow Orchids" this evening, November 8 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Mercer County, 930 Spruce Street, Lawrence, adjacent to the Trenton Farmers Market.

Susan Gange of Pennington, a master gardener and local orchid grower, will share techniques for ensuring the health and winter flowering of Phalaenopsis orchids, whether grown on a windowsill, under fluorescent lights, or in a greenhouse. Ms. Gange is owner of Stony Brook Orchids and a past president of the Central Jersey Orchid Society.

To benefit the Master Gardeners educational programs, a donation of $3 is suggested. To register for the program, call (609) 989-6830.

For more information on the Master Gardener program or other Extension educational programs, contact Rutgers Cooperative Extension at (609) 989-6830 or visit the Master Gardeners of Mercer County website at www.mgofmc.org.

The **Princeton Senior Resource Center** will host a Brown Bag discussion about cancer on Friday, November 10 at noon in the Suzanne Patterson Center.

Dr. Richard Weeder will discuss his new book, *The Key to Concer*. The purpose of the book is to educate cancer patients and give them tools with which to improve their chances of survival and recovery. Dr. Weeder is a cancer survivor himself.

Attendees are asked to bring their own lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

The program is free but registration is requested by calling (609) 924-7108.

The **Professional and Business Singles Network** will host a Business After Hours Social with live entertainment on Friday, November 10 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at Barley's Pub, Princeton Marriott Hotel and Conference Center at Forrestal.

Membership is not required for attendance. Admission will be $10 and will cover complimentary hors d'oeuvres, billiards, and shuffle board.

For more information, call (888) 348-5544 or visit www.PBSNinfo.com.

The **Princeton PC User Group** will meet on November 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mercer County Library in Lawrenceville.

The speaker, Hank Kee, will discuss accessing and managing information systems residing on remote computer systems. He will show how to set up the hardware and software for remote desktop access, and present a demonstration of remote computing.

Mr. Kee, a computer management consultant, began as a computer programmer at Rand Corporation working on the IBM 710 vacuum tube computer in 1959. His computer business experience spans the spectrum from building applications to designing networks and developing software systems.

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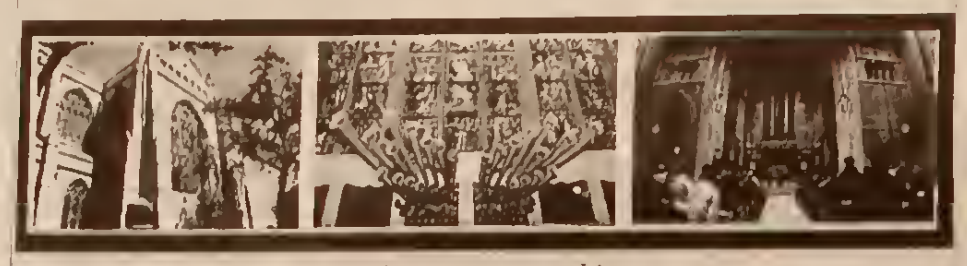

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Obituaries

William E. Speers Jr.

William Ewing Speers Jr., 82, of Hightstown, died in his sleep October 31 at Meadow Lakes. The cause of death was cancer.

Born in Montclair, N.J., he was the oldest child of William Ewing Speers and Helen Barrett Speers.

He was educated in Montclair and at South Kent School in South Kent, Conn., and graduated from Princeton University with a B.S.E. in civil engineering with the class of 1945, having accelerated to accept a commission in the 143rd KCB ("Seabees") of the U.S. Navy. He served in the Pacific until the end of World War II, then returned to follow his father and grandfather in the family business, McCutcheons, formerly at Fifth Avenue and 49th Street in New York City. Upon the sale of the company, he moved with his family to Princeton and joined the Tabulating Card Company (later Business Supplies Corporation of America), an early computer supplies manufacturer, where he served as executive vice president. From 1968 to 1975 he lived in Lancaster, Pa., serving as executive director of the Pennsylvania Educational Assistance Authority, a pilot program to provide state funding to private schools. In 1975 he joined the new investment banking firm William Sword & Company of Princeton as vice president, treasurer, and chief administrative officer, where he worked until his retirement in 1990.

He was active in charitable and volunteer work, serving the YMCA as a trustee of Camp Speers (named for his grandfather, James M. Speers) in Dingman's Ferry, Pa., and of Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, N.Y. He also served on the boards of the Chocorua Island Chapel in Holderness, N.H. and Trinity Counseling in Princeton.

During his retirement he remained active in Princeton for 15 years before moving with his wife to Meadow Lakes in 2005.

A member of Trinity Episcopal Church and the Nassau Club, he was always ready with a quote or a news article, and retained his lifelong interests in education, the outdoors, old canals, and crew racing.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Eleanor Schroeder Speers; a daughter, the Rev. Mary Barrett Speers of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and a son, John of Paris, France.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church, 33 Mercer Street, at 2 p.m. on November 9. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be sent to the South Kent School, South Kent, Conn.

Barbara Lee Sutton

Barbara Lee (Raterink) Sutton, 52, of Pennington, died November 1 at the University Medical Center at Princeton. She had lived in Princeton before moving to Pennington this year.

Born in Mount Pleasant, Mich., she was a graduate of Jenison High School in Jenison, Mich., and Hope College in Holland, Mich.

She had worked at Princeton University since 1986, most recently as associate director of the Office of Population Research. In 1998 she received an award from the President's Standing Committee on the Status of Women for having made a difference in the lives of women on the Princeton University campus. She was a member of the Princeton University Academic Managers Group.

She is survived by two sons, Kyle Sutton of Jersey City and Benjamin Sutton of Hamilton; her parents, Bernie and Esther Raterink of Hudsonville, Mich.; a brother, Michael Raterink of Sarasota, Fla.; and her partner, Michael Seifert of Pennington.

Private cremation was under the direction of the Selover Funeral Home, 555 Georges Road, North Brunswick.

Memorial donations may be made to Amnesty International or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Bulletins

As the deaths in Darfur continue, Rabbi Adam Feldman at **The Jewish Center** will lead a Darfur Day of Action on November 15 at the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

Fifteen Princeton congregations will tour Darfur and Holocaust exhibits at the United States Holocaust museum for a day of education, inspiration, and action planning. Experts on the situation in Sudan will speak to the group.

"It is critical for us to do what we can to address the atrocities in Darfur and I am thrilled that the religious communities of Princeton are joining together to learn what we can do," said Rabbi Feldman. "In the future, when our children and grandchildren ask us what we did in 2006 about Darfur, I am glad that we will all have a good answer for them."

The event is sponsored by the Princeton Clergy Association. Buses will leave the Jewish Center, 435 Nassau Street, at 7 a.m. and return at 8 p.m. The cost of $55 covers bus transportation, snacks, dinner, and a donation to the Committee of Conscience at the Holocaust Museum. To participate, send a check along with name, home and cell phone, and e-mail address to The Jewish Center and mark the envelope "Darfur Day of Action."

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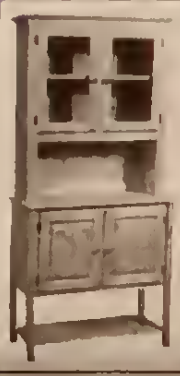

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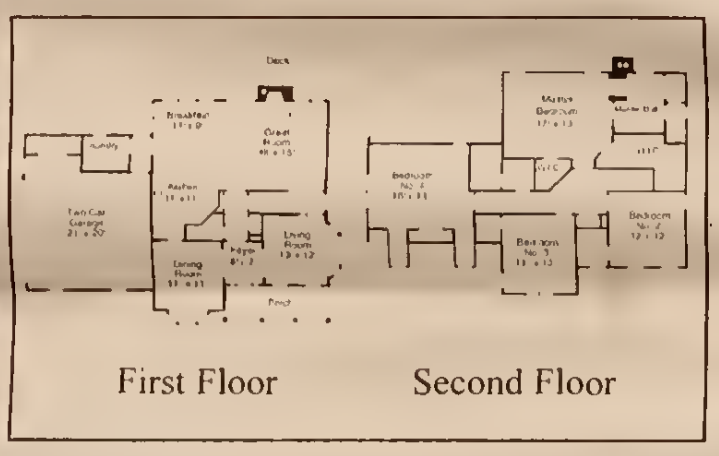

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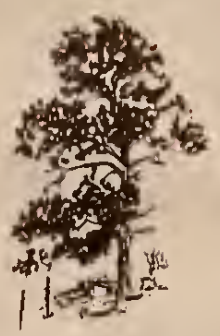

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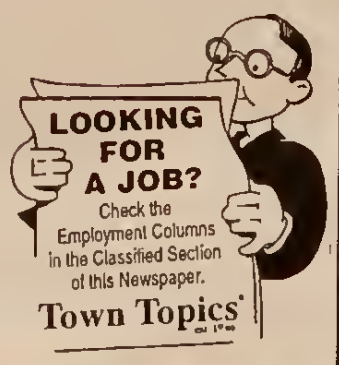

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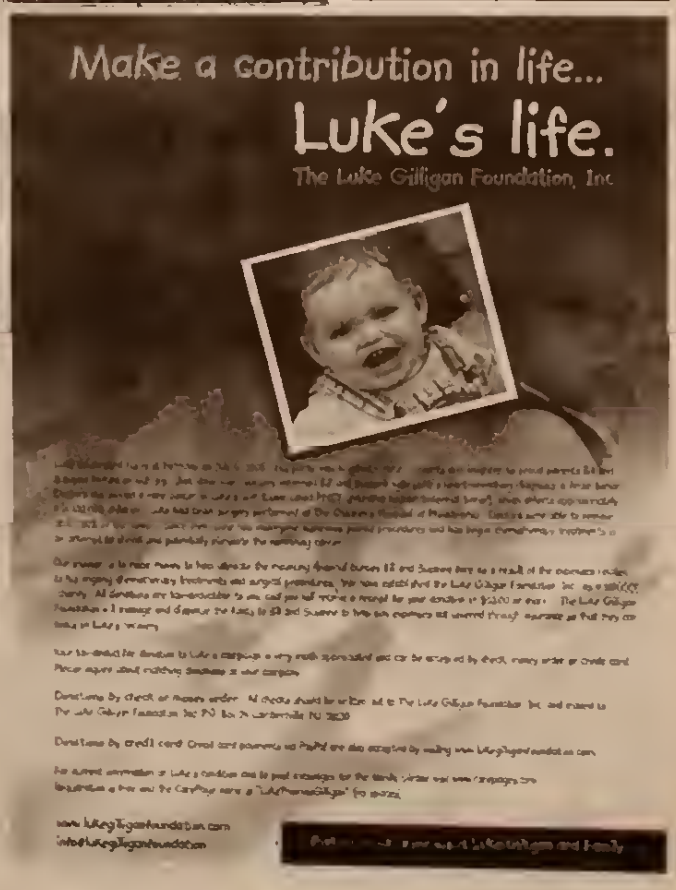

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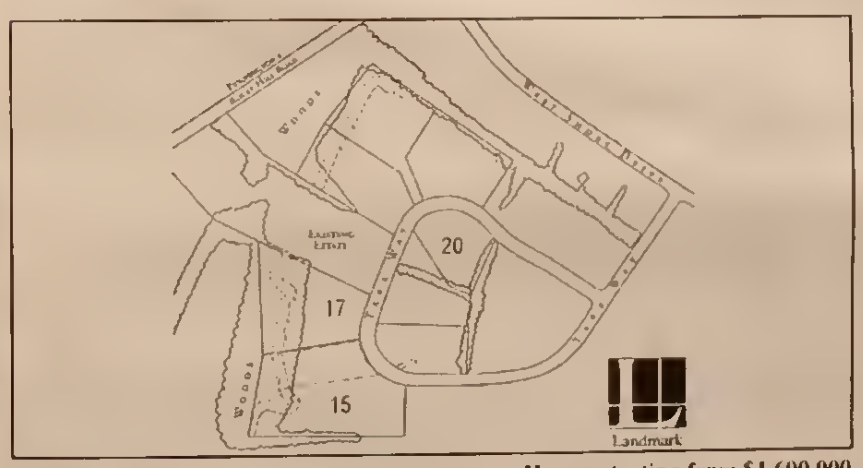

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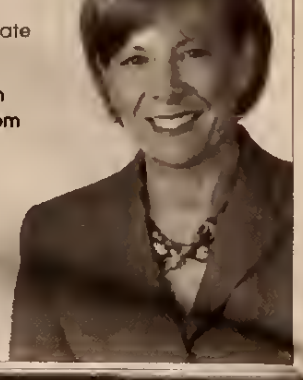

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Directions: Rt. 206 to Dutchtown-Harlingen Rd, right on Holly, right on Heather and right on Johnson Dr #22.

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Marketed by: Sue Ann Snyder **$544,444**

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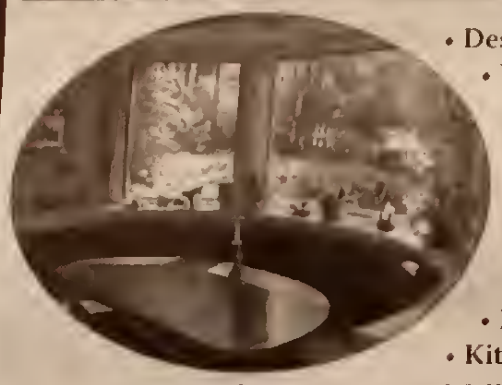

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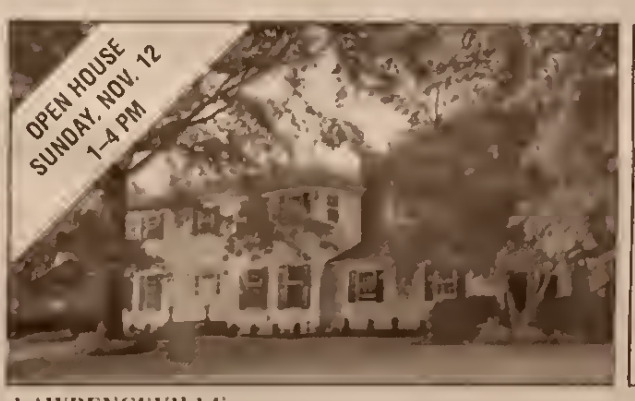

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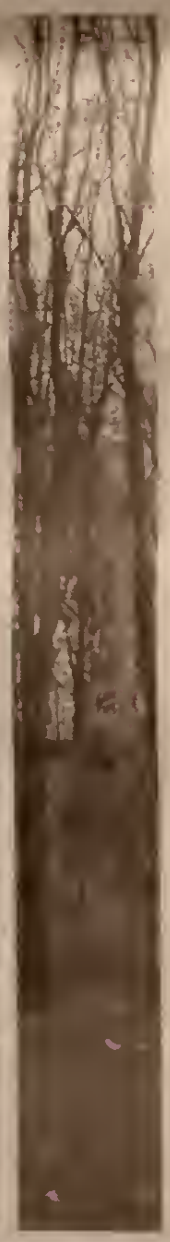

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